

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional certification comments, entries, and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a).

1. Name of Property

Historic name Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium

Other names/site number Glenn Dale Hospital; PG: 70-50

2. Location

street & number 5201 Glenn Dale Road

☐ not for publication

city of town Glenn Dale

☐ vicinity

State Maryland code MD county Prince George's code 033 zip code 20769


3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this x nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property x meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

 national statewide x local


Signature of certifying official

10-6-11
Date

Title

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official

Date

Title

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

 entered in the National Register

 determined eligible for the National Register

 determined not eligible for the National Register

 removed from the National Register

 other (explain:)

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	private
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	public - Local
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - State
<input type="checkbox"/>	public - Federal
<input type="checkbox"/>	private

Category of Property (Check only one box)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	building(s)
<input type="checkbox"/>	district
<input type="checkbox"/>	site
<input type="checkbox"/>	structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	building(s)
<input type="checkbox"/>	object

Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
17	4	buildings
		sites
	1	structures
		objects
		districts
17	5	Total

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

HEALTH CARE: Hospital; Sanatorium

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

VACANT/NOT IN USE

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

LATE 19th AND 20th CENTURY REVIVALS:

Colonial Revival

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation: CONCRETE

walls: BRICK; CONCRETE; STONE

roof: METAL; ASPHALT; SLATE

other:

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance of the property. Explain contributing and noncontributing resources if necessary. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, setting, size, and significant features.)

See Continuation Sheets 7.1 through 7.13.

8. Statement of Significance**Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- ☒ A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply)

Property is:

- ☐ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- ☐ B removed from its original location.
- ☐ C a birthplace or grave.
- ☐ D a cemetery.
- ☐ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ☐ F a commemorative property.
- ☐ G less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Health/Medicine

Period of Significance

1933-1959

Significant Dates

N/A

Significant Person

(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

Unknown

Architect/Builder

Harris, Albert L; Municipal Architect

Wyeth, Nathan C.; Municipal Architect

Johnston, Lawrence; Municipal Architect

Coe, Merrel C.; Municipal Architect

Period of Significance (justification)

The Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium is significant in the area of Health/Medicine as a notable example of an early twentieth-century facility specifically designed for the treatment of tuberculosis. The period of significance begins in 1933, with the initial construction and development of the hospital and sanatorium campus, and ends in 1959, when the campus was opened to treat patients with other chronic diseases in addition to tuberculosis.

Criteria Considerations (explanation, if necessary)

Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance and applicable criteria)

The Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium campus is locally significant under Criterion A in the area of Health/Medicine for its association with efforts to treat tuberculosis in the Washington, DC area. The property also is significant under Criterion C as a representative example of an early twentieth-century therapeutic campus designed and developed specifically for the purpose of caring for and treating tuberculosis patients.

Narrative Statement of Significance (provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance)

Health/Medicine

The Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium was constructed specifically to house and treat children and adults suffering from tuberculosis. The campus demonstrates the struggle of the District of Columbia to combat the public health threat caused by tuberculosis during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Glenn Dale Hospital, owned and operated by the District, provided free medical care to the victims of the disease. Glenn Dale's location, approximately fifteen miles outside the city, provided the remote setting and abundant fresh air that were considered ideal in the treatment of the disease, as the continued inclusion of the stricken in the District's general population without adequate care was viewed as a serious public health threat. Contemporary accounts credit the hospital with possessing the most up-to-date equipment and practices for treating the disease when its operation was limited to the treatment of tuberculosis. The similarity of massing, design, and classical detailing of the buildings and the interconnected series of pedestrian and vehicular circulation paths all contribute to its significance under Criterion C as a distinguishable, unified, representative example of a twentieth-century therapeutic campus. The campus included interrelated medical, residential, and mechanical buildings and landscaped areas, the majority of which remain intact and contribute to the overall campus-like feel of the property. The seventeen buildings dating from 1933-1959 contribute to the significance of the complex. The incinerator, garage/shed and water tower dating to 1960 and the mobile home and shed dating to ca. 1990 do not contribute to the property's significance.

Developmental history/additional historic context information (if appropriate)

See Continuation Sheets 8.1 through 8.19.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

☐ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67 has been requested)
☐ previously listed in the National Register
☐ previously determined eligible by the National Register
☐ designated a National Historic Landmark
☐ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____

☐ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

☒ State Historic Preservation Office
☐ Other State agency
☐ Federal agency
☒ Local government
☐ University
☒ Other

Prince George's County Department of

Name of repository: **Planning; Frederick S. DeMarr Library**

See Continuation Sheets 9.1 through 9.4.

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): _____ PG: 70-50

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 206.11
(do not include previously listed resource acreage)

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet) See Continuation Sheet.

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Zone Easting Northing

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Zone Easting Northing

2 _____
Zone Easting Northing

4 _____
Zone Easting Northing

Verbal Boundary Description (describe the boundaries of the property)

The boundary includes the approximately 206.11-acre tax parcels (Prince George's County Tax ID #s 1699529 and 1699537) upon which the Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium campus is located. See the attached tax parcel mapping.

Boundary Justification (explain why the boundaries were selected)

The National Register boundary for the Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium campus includes the 206.11 acres currently owned by the M-NCPPC that is historically associated with the campus during its period of significance (1933-1959). The boundary encompasses all of the significant resources and features that comprise the property.

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.
- **Continuation Sheets**
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Photographs:

Submit clear and descriptive black and white photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map.

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C.460 et seq.).

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Summary Paragraph

The Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium campus is located at 5201 Glenn Dale Road in Glenn Dale, Prince George's County, Maryland. The site occupies approximately 206.11 acres north of the intersection of Glenn Dale Road and Annapolis Road (MD 450), approximately fourteen miles northeast of Washington, D.C. The campus consists of twenty-one buildings and one structure, seventeen of which are Colonial Revival in style and date from 1933 to 1959, when the site functioned solely as a tuberculosis hospital and sanatorium; the seventeen contribute to the significance of the complex. The campus as a whole retains evidence of its original circulation system, including interconnecting roadways and pedestrian paths, and possesses overall integrity of location, design, setting, materials, feeling, and association as an early twentieth-century campus designed specifically for the care and treatment of tuberculosis patients. Glenn Dale Hospital was opened to persons with chronic illnesses other than tuberculosis from January 1960 until January 1982. The hospital was closed in January 1982 and subsequently sold to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC).

Narrative Description

The Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium (herein referred to as the Glenn Dale Hospital) campus is located in a predominantly suburban residential area in central Prince George's County, Maryland. Glenn Dale Road runs north-south, bisecting the property. Annapolis Road (MD 450) borders the property to the south. Electric Avenue runs east-west near the north end of the property. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Plant Introduction Station, constructed ca. 1920 and currently vacant, borders the campus on the east side.¹

Glenn Dale Road provides access to the site. The greatest building density occurs in the central portion of the site. The ca. 1936 adult hospital, ca. 1938 employees' dormitory, and ca. 1990 mobile home are located northwest of Glenn Dale Road. Two nurses' dormitories constructed ca. 1933 and 1936, and two extant doctors' residences constructed ca. 1935 and 1936 (Duplex 1 and Duplex 2) are located southeast of Glenn Dale Road. The ca.-1933 children's hospital and two apartment buildings constructed ca. 1949 and 1950 are located southeast of Cherry Drive. The maintenance and utility buildings, accessed by an auxiliary road named Utility Drive, occupy the northeastern edge of the building complex. The north and south ends of the campus are comprised of woodland. Chain-link fencing borders the property along Electric Avenue, as well as portions of the northeast, west, and south sides of the property.

Seventeen buildings date from the original period of construction for the Glenn Dale Hospital (1933-1939). The two expansive, multi-story, multi-wing hospitals are the largest buildings on the campus, followed by the nurses' and employees' dormitories. In addition, two duplexes (former doctors' residences) and their associated garages, a warehouse/garage, well house, power plant, maintenance building, and water softener house also date

¹ The USDA's Plant Introduction Station received plants coming into the United States, held them in quarantine for the required period of two years, and then released and distributed them throughout the country. The station also conducted research on the breeding of new bulbs and ornamental shrubs as well as on the improved methods of propagation; Joanne Roache and Pat Hughes, "A Sampler of Glenn Dale History," Prepared for the 10th Annual Glenn Dale Arts and Crafts Festival, June 3, 1984 (On file at the Frederick S. DeMarr Library of County History, Greenbelt, Maryland).

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to this period. These Colonial Revival-style buildings are constructed of reinforced concrete, with the exterior walls clad primarily in red brick. Two apartment buildings were constructed ca. 1949 and 1950 utilizing a practical, utilitarian, simplified Colonial Revival style. An incinerator, additional garage/shed, and water tower date to ca. 1960 and are located near or within the northeastern maintenance and utility building cluster. A mobile home, which is currently occupied by a member of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) police, and a shed, were moved to the property ca. 1990 and situated on the north side of Glenn Dale Road, to the southeast of the Adult Hospital. Most buildings in the campus are numbered from one to twelve as identified by M-NCPPC with modern metal signs, starting in the northeast corner with the warehouse/garage (Building 1) and moving clockwise to end with the Adult Hospital (Building 12).

The buildings on the Glenn Dale Hospital campus have been vacant since its closure in 1982, resulting in deterioration through neglect and vandalism. The buildings have lost many of their original windows and doors. Many of the original window openings are concealed with boards or metal security doors, particularly in the basement levels and first and second stories. The buildings retain their original massing and most original architectural features. The campus as a whole retains evidence of its original vehicular and pedestrian circulation network and possesses overall integrity of location, design, setting, materials, feeling, and association as an early twentieth-century campus designed purposefully for the care and treatment of tuberculosis patients.

A description of each of the buildings in the campus, listed by the approximate date of construction, follows.

Children's Hospital (Peabody Hall; Building 7) (1933)

The children's hospital, completed in 1933, was one of the first buildings erected on the campus. The building includes approximately 127,906 square feet.² The three-story, U-shaped building faces northwest and is located on the south side of Cherry Lane—an internal campus roadway,. The building is comprised of a long main block with two, two-story flanking wings (ca. 1936) projecting northwest from the building's facade. The main block, which measures approximately forty-one bays wide, continues beyond each wing to the east and southwest for approximately nine bays.

The building rests on a raised basement surmounted by a brick water table. Brick laid in common bond covers the exterior walls of the building, including the basement level. The built-up flat roof is sealed with tar and gravel. A wood frieze, decorative limestone cornice, and brick parapet topped with limestone coping delineate the roofline. Interior brick chimneys protrude from the roof of the main block. A brick belt course visually divides the first and second stories of the main block. A fourth-story, hipped-roof penthouse is located on the roof of the main block at each wing. The roof of each penthouse is sheathed in slate shingles.

The building is fenestrated by twelve-over-twelve light, double-hung, wood-sash windows in the first story, and eight-over-eight light, double-hung, wood-sash windows in the upper stories; however, the majority of the

² Marina King, *Glenn Dale Hospital, Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form* (Prepared by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, September 1987; on file at the Maryland Historical Trust Library, Crownsville, Maryland), Appendix I.

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windows are missing or covered with wood boards. Each window sits upon a limestone sill and is topped by a jack-arch lintel. The first-story windows flanking the central entries of the main block feature limestone keystones.

The facade (northwest elevation) of the main block features a central, seven-bay projection with a secondary, central, four-story, three-bay tower capped by a slate shingle-clad pyramidal roof. A splayed set of nine limestone steps provide access to the main entry, which is located in the center of the projection. The entry retains its original Greek Revival-style door surround comprised of simple wood pilasters surmounted by a wood pediment.

The two, two-story ca. 1936 wings flank the projecting central section of the main block's northwest elevation. Each wing is banked into a hill that slopes downward from southwest to northeast, so the northeast elevations of the building measure three stories in height. The wings are nearly identical in design and ornamentation. A narrow five-bay connecting wing features a first-story archway. Three simple, poured-concrete steps provide access to the first-story archway. The southeast interior wall of each archway features a single-leaf door that retains the original paneled door surround. The doorway is capped by a jack-arch lintel. A wider, longer wing appends the connecting wing. Each end wings feature a two-story projecting, enclosed balcony block on the exterior (east and southwest) elevations. The wings are fenestrated by six-over-six light, double-hung, wood-sash windows, with the exception of the windows in the projecting section. The windows of the projecting balcony sections are recessed slightly, so the intervening brickwork forms simple brick pilasters. A decorative iron railing lines the rooftop; the southwestern wing retains the rooftop wood pergola. The wings also feature Greek Revival-style door surrounds comprised of simple wood pilasters surmounted by a simple wood pediment.

The east and southwest elevations of the main block measure five-bays wide.

The southeast elevation of the children's hospital features a three-bay projecting central block. An additional entry is located in the center bay of the first story. A poured-concrete and brick landing provides access to the entry and features a set of steps on the west side and a poured-concrete ramp on the east side. An iron railing lines the landing, steps, and ramp. Evidence of the pilasters and pediment that formed the original door surround is visible on the brick walls surrounding the entry. Five evenly spaced blocks, each measuring approximately four-bays wide, project one-bay outward from the face of the southeast elevation.

The interior of the children's hospital retains some finishes from the period of construction (ca. 1933). Wood-panel wainscoting lines the corridor that leads from the southeast entry into the former reception area. Some original, double-leaf, wood-paneled doors topped by one-light transoms are situated off the corridors that traverse the building from east to west. Areas of the corridor floors retain the original black- and gray-colored

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terrazzo floor paneling and marble baseboards. The terra cotta tiles that comprised the interior walls of the building are also visible in some areas due to the deterioration of the plaster that originally concealed them.³

Nurses' Dormitories (Capper Hall and McCarren Hall; Building 8) (1933 and 1935)

The two dormitories that historically housed the nurses for the children's hospital are located northwest of the children's hospital, along an internal roadway named Holly Circle.

A prominent one-story, curved, brick arcade connects the two dormitories. The arcade is comprised of a poured-concrete and brick landing, brick archways lined by an iron railing, and a flat roof largely concealed by ivy. The underside of the arcade's roof consists of smooth, poured concrete featuring inset boxed fluorescent light fixtures. A set of poured-concrete steps provides exterior access at each end of the northeast elevation of the arcade. A decorative concrete arch anchored by simple plinths and inset with a simple keystone accentuates the entry archways.

The northern dormitory (Capper Hall) consists of a two-and-one-half-story, seven-bay, side-gabled central block, which is flanked by a four-bay, one-and-one-half-story, side-gabled block. A one-and-one-half-story, three-bay, front-gabled block appends each end of the dormitory.⁴ The Colonial Revival-style dormitory is approximately 22,888 square feet in size.⁵ The building features brick exterior walls laid in common bond and a slate shingle-clad roof. Georgian-style features include interior brick end chimneys in the central and front-gabled blocks and evenly spaced gabled dormers piercing the roofline. Each dormer features a two-over-two light, double-hung, wood-sash window.

The building is lit by primarily six-over-six light, double-hung, wood-sash windows that rest on stone sills. Brick jack-arch lintels surmount each window opening.

Capper Hall faces northwest, immediately adjacent to Glenn Dale Road. The northwest elevation of the central block contains two entries, one at each end. The entries are recessed from the facade and accentuated by simple Greek Revival-style surrounds comprised of wood pilasters supporting simple wood pediments. A six-over-six light, double-hung, wood-sash window topped by a four-light fanlight is situated above each entry, between the first and second stories.

The southeast (rear) elevation of the dormitory is simpler than the northeast. The central block contains one entry in the centermost bay of the elevation. Six steps, lined by an iron railing, lead to the entry. The entry retains the original Greek Revival-style simple wood door surround. The side-gabled wing to the southwest of the central block features a screened-in porch at the first story. The wing is comprised of a poured-concrete and brick landing, wood balustrade, and supports. The side-gabled roof that caps the building flares outward to shelter the porch.

³ Public buildings of the 1930s and 1940s typically used terra cotta tiles in their interior wall construction as a sound- and fireproofing device. With the exception of basement and attic spaces, these tiles were often concealed with plaster.

⁴ The design of Capper Hall purportedly was based on the Brice House in Annapolis, Maryland; King, 8-4.

⁵ King, Appendix I.

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The brick arcade leads from the southwest elevation of Capper Hall to the northwest elevation of McCarren Hall, which was completed ca. 1936 as the second dormitory for the children's hospital nurses. The 18,862-square-foot McCarren Hall is banked into a hill that slopes downward from northeast to southwest, so that the basement level is fully visible on the southwest elevation.⁶ The building is two-and-one-half-stories in height, rests on a full basement, and exhibits similar architectural details as Clapper Hall. The building features a side-gabled central block, which projects slightly from the flanking side-gabled blocks. The exterior walls are comprised of brick laid in common bond. Rustication accentuates the corners of each block. The side-gabled roof is clad in slate shingles, and the central block features interior brick end chimneys. The roof is pierced by evenly spaced gabled dormers, each inset with a four-over-four light, double-hung, wood-sash window.

The building is primarily fenestrated by six-over-six light, double-hung, wood-sash windows, accentuated by a stone sill, simple wood surround, and jack-arch brick lintel. Other window types include rectangular four-over-four light, double-hung, wood sash and one-over-one light, double-hung, wood sash.

The southwest facade of the building is sixteen bays wide and features a prominent two-story porch that extends across the five centermost bays of the elevation. The porch consists of a poured-concrete and brick landing, paired two-story posts topped with Doric capitals, and a flat roof featuring a plain frieze band and a dentiled cornice. A portion of the decorative wood balustrade, featuring a geometric "starburst" pattern, remains at the porch corners. The southwest elevation of the porch landing contains a central vehicle entrance flanked by window openings inset with metal louvered vents. Vehicle entrances are also located at the north and south sides of the central block, in the basement level. These openings have been covered with wood boards.

The southeast elevation of the building features a one-story porch that shelters the three bays of the elevation. The porch is accessed by poured-concrete steps, flanked by a wood railing. The porch contains the same overall details and ornamentation as the prominent two-story porch; however, the one-story porch lacks the dentiled cornice.

The northeast (rear) elevation of the dormitory is accessed by an entry in the centermost bay of the central block. A double-sided stair featuring a brick landing topped by poured concrete provides access to the entry. The entry has been covered with wood boards, but retains the original door surround comprised of wood plinths, pilasters, and an arched broken pediment with dentiled detailing.

The interiors of Capper Hall and McCarren Hall were not accessible due to safety concerns of the owner.

Power Plant (Building 2) (ca. 1933; ca. 1936; ca. 1954) and Laundry (ca. 1939)

A two-story 6,824-square-foot power plant featuring a tall, three-story front block, added ca. 1954, is located immediately southwest of the garage and warehouse, across Utility Drive.⁷ The building was constructed ca.

⁶ King, Appendix I.

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1933 to house and provide the utilities for the campus. The overall design of the building is stepped; the addition to the northeast elevation, constructed ca. 1954, measures three-stories in height, followed by the original ca. 1933 two-story block, then the ca. 1936 one-story block. A one-story, 6,272-square foot laundry addition, constructed ca. 1939, is appended to the southwest elevation of the power plant and contains multiple wings.⁸ The laundry addition features brick and concrete block walls. The junction of the ca.-1936 addition and ca. 1939 laundry addition contains a decorative concrete grille in the southwest elevation.

The building rests on a poured-concrete slab, and the exterior walls are clad with brick laid in common bond. The flat roof is sealed with tar and gravel. The building is primarily lit by eight-light, awning, metal-sash windows; however, the bottom sashes have been boarded over and some of the topmost lights have been replaced with metal panels. A vehicular entrance, covered with metal and inset with a pedestrian entry, is located in the northeast bay of the southeast elevation and provides the primary access to the building's interior. A tripartite, fixed-sash window tops the entry. Four poured-concrete steps lead to a concrete-block landing located southwest of the entry. The framing of a metal canopy that originally sheltered the landing remains in place. The landing provides access to a set of double-leaf, four-light, steel doors topped by a ten-light metal transom.

A tall corbelled, brick smokestack is situated near the northwest corner of the building.

Only the northeast portion of the building's interior was accessible due to safety concerns. The interior is characterized by a poured-concrete floor, exposed brick walls, and poured-concrete ceilings largely concealed by piping and ductwork. Brick columns joined by steel I-beams provide additional support. The original boiler equipment remains. A metal catwalk leads from equipment areas in the third floor of the northeast section of the building. Chambers in the floor lead to tunnels that historically provided the heating and air throughout the campus.

Duplex 1 and Garage (Building F; Building 9) (ca. 1935)

The first of two extant duplexes is located adjacent to the southeast side of Glenn Dale Road and faces southwest towards Walnut Drive. Walnut Drive is a curving lane that provides access to the children's hospital and nurses' dormitories. The Duplex 1 measures 5,673-square-feet in size and was constructed ca. 1935 to house the doctors of Glenn Dale Hospital.⁹

The dwelling, which is two-and-one-half stories in height, rests on a poured-concrete foundation. Brick laid in a bond of continuously running stretchers covers the exterior walls. A side-gabled roof clad in slate shingles caps the dwelling and features two brick exterior end chimneys at the gable. A plain, wood, boxed cornice lines the roof. Three gabled dormers pierce the roofline. The bottom sash of each dormer has been removed but the top, six-light, wood-sash remains.

⁸ Ibid.

⁹ King, Appendix I.

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The dwelling is lit by six-over-six light, double-hung, wood-sash windows, some of which are missing or covered with wood boards. The windows sit atop stone sills and feature brick jack-arch lintels above the first-story and some of the second-story windows.

The centrally located main entry into the dwelling is located in the southwest elevation (facade). The entry is accessed by a set of splayed, poured-concrete steps flanked by a decorative, curved, wrought-iron railing. The original entry is covered with wood boards but retains the simple Greek Revival-style door surround comprised of a simple wood entablature. The one-light transom, detailed with crisscrossed tracery, remains in place.

The northwest and southeast elevations of the dwelling display evidence of the former one-story porches, including the poured-concrete slabs and openings in the walls for the roof joists.

The northeast (rear) elevation consists of a two-story, two-bay, front-gabled section that projects one bay from the face of the elevation. A shed-roof, screened-in porch extends from the first story of the elevation and features two openings, one at each end, that provide access into the porch's interior and to the single-leaf entries that provide rear access into the dwelling. The framing for the porch screens is comprised of square latticework. The shed roof of the porch is sheathed in slate shingles.

Due to safety concerns, the interior of the dwelling was not accessible.

A one-story, two-bay, front-gabled garage is located east of the dwelling and faces northwest towards Glenn Dale Road. A paved-asphalt driveway leads from Glenn Dale Road to the building. The garage sits atop a poured-concrete slab, and brick laid in a bond of continuously running stretchers comprises the exterior walls. Horizontal board siding covers the gables, and slate shingles cover the gabled roof. The northwest elevation features two vehicle bays covered with wood boards. The northeast, southeast, and southwest elevations of the garage each contain one window opening.

A single-family dwelling (Building E; Building 9) was historically located between Duplex 1 and Duplex 2; however, it was destroyed by fire ca. 2005. The only remaining evidence of this dwelling includes a poured-concrete foundation and wood framing members. An additional single-family dwelling was located southeast of Duplex 2, but was destroyed by fire ca. 1988. However, no evidence remains of this second single-family dwelling.¹⁰

Duplex 2 and Garage (Building G; Building 10) (1936)

The second duplex is located south of Duplex 1. Duplex 2 was erected in 1936 to house doctors for Glenn Dale Hospital. The 5,673 square-foot dwelling faces southwest towards Walnut Drive.¹¹ The ca. 1936 Duplex 2 is

¹⁰ Bryant and Bryant AIA Architects and Planners, "Phase 1 Feasibility Analysis: Development of a Training/Advance Facility on the Glenn Dale Hospital Site," July 1988, on file at Prince George's County Planning Department, Glenn Dale Hospital Vertical File, Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

¹¹ King, Appendix I.

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identical to the ca. 1935 Duplex 1 in design, workmanship, materials, massing, features, and ornamentation. Duplex 2 also retains the original two-car garage, which is identical to the garage associated with Duplex 1.

The first floor of Duplex 2 contains two separate living spaces, which are mirror images of each other. The interior spaces retain the original plaster walls and ceiling.¹² The main entry, located in the southwest elevation, provide access into a small vestibule. Single-leaf wood doors are situated in the north and south walls of the vestibules, providing access into each of the two units. For each unit, the vestibule door leads into the front room, which retains the original brick fireplace accentuated by a Greek Revival-style, simple wood mantle. A central room leads from the front room to the kitchen, located at the rear of each unit. A stair is located at the interior wall and provides access to the second floor.

Adult Hospital (Hospital A; Building 12) (ca. 1936)

The adult hospital, constructed ca. 1936, is located northwest of Glenn Dale Road. The 178,500 square-foot hospital is the largest building on the Glenn Dale Hospital campus.¹³ A semi-circular, paved-asphalt driveway known as West Drive and East Drive leads from Glenn Dale Road and provides vehicular access to the building. The building is roughly H-shaped in plan, with a five-story central entry block and projecting wings, similar to the children's hospital.

The building is four-stories tall, with the exception of the five-story central block, and rests on a full basement. The exterior walls of the basement are clad in limestone panels. The exterior walls of the upper stories are clad in brick laid in common bond. A limestone belt course visually divides the first and second stories. Ivy and other vegetative overgrowth conceal portions of the elevations. The first story of the center block features corner rustication up through the fifth story. A dentiled limestone cornice tops the fourth story. The hipped and pyramidal roofs that cap the central block and rooftop walkways of the building are clad in slate shingles. The flat roof surfaces at the fifth story are sealed with gravel and tar. Various interior brick chimneys extend from the roof.

The central section of the fifth story features an arcaded walkway that caps the flat rooftop area. A slate shingle-clad hipped roof supported by brick columns caps the arcaded walkway.

A variety of window types fenestrate the building, including eight-over-eight and one-over-one, double-hung, wood-sash types; one-light, metal, casement types; and long, rectangular, six-light, awning, metal-sash types. Each window rests on a stone sill, and the majority of windows feature jack-arch brick lintels. The third-, fourth-, and fifth-story windows in the side elevations of the central block feature limestone keystones.

The projecting wings create a U-shaped courtyard at the facade (southeast elevation) of the building. The main entry into the building is centrally located in the facade. Two limestone Doric columns support a simple limestone entablature that projects from the entry. The double-leaf entry features a Greek Revival-style

¹² Based on the similar exterior design features, Duplex 1 most likely contains the same interior layout as Duplex 2.

¹³ King, Appendix I.

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limestone door surround comprised of simple pilasters, one-light flanking sidelights, and a simple entablature. A metal railing lines the projecting entablature and denotes a balcony formed by the roof of the entry. A broken pediment featuring decorative scrolls tops the limestone entry surround that frames the paired, single-leaf pedestrian openings leading onto the balcony.

The flanking wings of the center block of the hospital, as well as the projecting north and south wings, feature brick pilasters that support a wide limestone frieze and cornice. The walls between each pilaster are comprised almost entirely of six- or nine-light, awning, metal-sash windows that lead to the interior sleeping porches for the hospital rooms at the second and third stories. A metal railing extends between brick piers at the fourth story to enclose an exterior walkway. Three-sided, one-story wings extend outward from the southeast elevations of the projecting wings. The wings feature rustication on the exterior walls. Brick parapets top the wings, partially enclosing a rooftop terrace.

The rear (northwest) elevation of the building features a five-bay wide central section that projects one bay from the elevation. The northeast and southwest elevations of the addition feature tripartite bay windows. A one-story, flat-roof, brick addition extends across nine bays of the center of the elevation. The rest of the openings are covered with wood boards.

The interior of the adult hospital features long corridors with flanking hospital rooms open to sleeping porches fenestrated with multi-light windows. Due to neglect, deterioration, and vandalism, the majority of interior finishes and details are no longer discernible. The entry in the southeast elevation retains the original marble entry stair. Original Colonial Revival-style wood paneling covers the walls of a portion of the first floor. Portions of the original terrazzo-panel floor cladding and baseboard remain, particularly on the fifth floor, as well as the interior terra cotta wall tiles sheathed in plaster. Some of the original plaster ceilings have been concealed through the application of dropped acoustical tiles with inset fluorescent lighting. Ceramic and porcelain tiles denote former treatment areas, and a sterilizer machine topped by a hood vent is still present on the fifth floor.

Warehouse and Garage (Building 1) (ca. 1936)

A warehouse and garage, constructed ca. 1936, is located at the northeast edge of the building cluster, adjacent to Utility Drive. The 11,500 square-foot, rectangular, one-story, utilitarian building sits atop a concrete slab. Brick laid in common bond clads the exterior walls.¹⁴ The built-up flat roof is sealed with tar and gravel. All of the openings into the building, with the exception of the southeast bay in the northwest elevation, are covered with wood boards. Stone sills and simple brick lintels accentuate the window openings.

The southwest elevation (facade) exhibits a one-story, one-bay block that most likely served as the entry into the building. A pedestrian entry is located in the southeast elevation, and two rectangular window openings are located in the southwest and northeast elevations of the block. Two window openings are located to the

¹⁴ Ibid.

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southwest of the block, and two pedestrian openings, followed by three window openings, are situated to the northwest of the block.

The northwest elevation features a loading dock at the southwest end. A set of poured-concrete steps lined by a metal railing provides access to the loading dock. Three steel poles support the flat metal and poured-concrete canopy that shelters the loading dock. A former vehicle entrance filled with brick features a set of double-leaf steel doors, each inset with one light. Three large vehicle bays divided by brick columns comprise the remaining openings in the northwest elevation. The northeast (rear) elevation also features six vehicle bays.

The interior of the warehouse and garage was not accessible due to safety concerns.

Well House (ca. 1936)

A round, one-story building is located northwest of the warehouse and garage. This building, constructed ca. 1936, most likely housed a well for the property due to its small size and circular shape. The building lacks a foundation. Brick laid in common bond clads the exterior walls. A wide wood frieze band accentuates a simple wood cornice that leads to the slate shingle-clad conical roof. The former well house features a single pedestrian opening and a single window opening, both of which are covered with wood boards. The window features a stone sill and jack-arch brick lintel.

Maintenance Building (Building 3) (ca. 1936)

A small one-story maintenance building, constructed ca. 1936, is located southeast of the power plant. The building rests atop a poured-concrete slab, and brick, laid in common bond, comprises the exterior walls. The flat roof is capped with metal sheets.

The simple utilitarian building contains the same features and finishes as found on the other utility buildings. With the exception of a set of double-leaf, one-light, steel doors located in the northeast elevation, the former window openings of the building have been boarded over. The windows retain the original stone sills and simple brick lintels.

Water Softener House (Building 4) (1937)

The 663-square-foot water softener house is located southwest of the maintenance building.¹⁵ The simple, square brick building exhibits the same overall features and detailing as the other utility and maintenance buildings. The openings have been covered with wood boards, with the exception of the pedestrian entry into the building.

The building faces northeast and contains a centrally located six-light steel entry door, flanked by two window openings. The southeast and northwest elevations of the building each contain three centrally located window

¹⁵ Ibid.

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openings. The southwest (rear) elevation of the building contains a double-leaf set of six-light wood doors topped by a twelve-light metal transom.

The interior of the building contains a poured-concrete floor, exposed brick walls, and a poured-concrete ceiling. The original water softener equipment, including two large metal tanks, remains.

Employees' Dormitory (Finucane Hall/Building 11) (ca. 1938)

A dormitory to house employees of the hospital campus was constructed ca. 1938, southwest of the adult hospital. The 24,092 square-foot, rectangular building is accessed from Hickory Drive, which extends from West Drive near Glenn Dale Road.¹⁶

The U-shaped, three-story building is banked into a hill that slopes downward from southwest to northeast, so the basement level is visible on the northeast elevation. The exterior walls of the building are clad in brick laid in common bond. A dentiled limestone belt course separates the first and second stories. A corbelled brick belt course surmounted by a stepped limestone cornice leads to the brick parapet with poured-concrete coping that caps the building. The flat roof is sealed with tar and gravel. Two, three-story projecting wings extend from the rear of the building and feature six-light bay windows in each story of each elevation. The rest of the building is fenestrated with six-over-six light, double-hung, wood-sash windows featuring stone sills. The window in the first two stories of the southeast elevation (facade) and side elevations are surmounted by jack-arch brick lintels.

The symmetrical facade faces southeast towards Glenn Dale Road and features end entry bays that measure three bays wide. The entry bays, which project approximately one-foot from the face of the elevation, are accentuated by rustication at the corners of each story. The projecting sections each contain a centrally located entry in the first story. Each entry is set into a simple Greek Revival-style limestone surround comprised of pilasters, dentiled cornice, and pediment. Steel mesh cages have replaced the original entry doors.

A stepped brick retaining wall capped with poured concrete splays outward from the northeast corner of the building. A centrally located vehicle bay is located in the basement level of the northeast elevation. The bay is capped by a jack-arch lintel.

The rear, or northwest, elevation of the building features projecting wings at each end. The first-story window openings of each wing are slightly arched and accentuated by jack-arch lintels. The second and third stories of each wing feature brick pilasters with simple limestone capitals that frame each large window bay. Various single-leaf, one-light over two-panel pedestrian doors are located in the first-story level of the main block of the northwest elevation of the building.

The building's interior contains two separate sections divided by a permanent wall; only the northeast end of the dormitory's interior was accessible. A central corridor comprised of plaster walls and a plaster ceiling divides the building, around which are located the various dormitory rooms. Some of the former dormitory rooms

¹⁶ Ibid.

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retain the original marble baseboard and metal radiator grilles. Communal restrooms, featuring porcelain wall tiles, fixtures, and marble stall partitions, are located at the rear of the building.

Apartment Building # 1 (Building 5) (1949)

A simple, rectangular, 5,943-square-foot apartment building is located on the southeast side of Cherry Drive, between the utility building cluster and the children's hospital.¹⁷ The apartment building historically contained four apartments for hospital employees.

The two-story building, which is banked into a hill that slopes downward from northwest to southeast, rests on a full basement. The exterior walls of the building are clad in brick laid in common bond. The flat, built-up roof is sealed with tar and gravel.

The symmetrical five-bay facade faces northwest towards Cherry Drive. The building is fenestrated with eight-light, casement, metal-sash windows, some of which feature fixed-sash sidelights in the facade. The side and rear elevations feature replacement, one-over-one light, double-hung, vinyl-sash windows. The majority of windows and all of the former door openings are covered with wood boards; however, the window openings retain their original stone sills.

The side elevations of the apartment building measure two-bays wide. A set of poured-concrete steps, lined by a metal railing set into a poured-concrete foundation, denotes a basement-level entry in the northeast elevation. The rear, or southeast, elevation of the building features a two-story screened-in porch addition that extends across the central portion of the elevation. The porch is raised up on simple wood supports, each connected by a wood lattice. A set of metal stairs, flanked by a metal-pipe railing, provides access to the first story of the porch.

The interior of the apartment building was not accessible due to safety concerns.

Apartment Building # 2 (Building 6) (ca. 1950)

A second apartment building consisting of approximately 6,892 square feet was constructed ca. 1950, southwest of Apartment Building # 1.¹⁸

The two-story, five-bay building contains the same overall massing, design, and features as the first apartment building, with the exception of the windows and the rear elevation. Four- or eight-light, casement, metal-sash windows fenestrate the building, except where noted. The rear elevation features a two-story, partially enclosed porch. A set of poured-concrete steps, flanked by a metal-pipe railing, lead to the poured-concrete and brick porch landing. The southwestern end of the porch is enclosed in brick. The first-story windows have been boarded over. The second story features a ribbon of five single-light, casement, metal-sash windows that rest on a continuous stone sill. A flat roof clad in corrugated metal caps the porch.

¹⁷ Ibid.

¹⁸ Ibid.

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The interior of the apartment building was not accessible due to safety concerns.

Post-1959 Structures

The Glenn Dale Hospital campus contains five structures that post-date 1959.

Incinerator (ca. 1960)

A metal, 346-square-foot incinerator was constructed ca. 1960, immediately northwest of the warehouse and garage.¹⁹ The incinerator sits atop a poured-concrete base and features corrugated metal walls. A small, brick, exterior chimney is attached to the southwest corner of the building.

Garage/Shed (ca. 1960)

A garage/shed constructed ca. 1960 is located northwest of the incinerator, along the edge of woodland that borders the building cluster to the east. The building is mostly obscured by dense vegetation. The concrete block exterior walls are visible, as well as the standing seam-metal clad, side-gabled roof that caps the rectangular structure. The southwest elevation contains a set of double-leaf, sliding, vertical board doors. A nine-light metal window is situated in the southeast elevation of the building.

Water Tower (ca. 1960)

A large water tower supported by four metal legs is located southeast of the garage and workshop. This tower was constructed ca. 1960 to provide additional water storage for the campus.

Mobile Home and Shed (ca. 1990)

A one-story, prefabricated mobile home trailer was moved to the property ca. 1990 to provide housing for M-NCPPC police.²⁰ The building is located northwest of Capper Hall, adjacent to Glenn Dale Road. A gravel driveway provides access to the home, which is encircled by a chain-link fence. A prefabricated shed, also moved to the property ca. 1990, is included within the fencing and located to the east of the mobile home.

Exterior Landscape Features

The topography of the hospital campus is rolling, with the principal buildings set on small knolls, grouped around the curve of Glenn Dale Road. Dense woodland encircles the building cluster, with the exception of the southwest corner of the property, from which modern residential development is visible. Although the grounds are largely overgrown, numerous specimen trees from the original period of construction (ca. 1933 - 1939) remain including magnolias, holly, and blue spruce, as well as various other deciduous and evergreen plants, shrubs, and trees.

¹⁹ Ibid.

²⁰ This is to provide a 24-hour security for the property.

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The buildings of the Glenn Dale Hospital campus are connected through a series of vehicular and pedestrian circulation paths. Paved-asphalt and poured-concrete-slab roadways featuring small parking lots adjacent to the buildings are located throughout the campus. The paved-asphalt roadways are dotted with the original wrought-iron pendant electrical lampposts topped by replacement fixtures. The sidewalks throughout the campus are poured concrete and are located near the building entrances. Several ancillary gravel maintenance roads are also located in the northeastern quadrant of the campus.

Alterations

The majority of the buildings in the complex retain their original massing, design, and wall and roof cladding. Exterior alterations to the buildings generally consist of the loss of windows and doors due to the installation of security measures or vandalism or neglect. The vacancy of the property for almost three decades has led to extensive interior alterations due to deterioration and vandalism; however, the overall interior design and layout of the accessible buildings are still discernible. The installation of the incinerator, the garage/shed, and water tower ca. 1960, and a mobile home ca. 1990, does not alter the sense of connectivity of the campus buildings that date to the hospital's original construction period (1933 to 1939). Despite alterations to the property, the original style and massing of the hospital buildings are still apparent as are the original building layout and interconnecting circulation paths, and other original features of the landscape and immediate setting. Thus, the overall integrity of location, design, setting, materials, feeling, and association are retained.

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Historical Narrative:

History of Tuberculosis and Methods of Treatments, Including History of the National Tuberculosis Association, 1854-1963

Throughout the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, tuberculosis (TB), or "consumption," became one of the most feared and deadly diseases in the world.²¹ TB accounted for nearly ten percent of deaths in the United States in the early 1900s. The disease affected all ages, classes, and races, as it affected thousands throughout the United States, particularly those living in close quarters in urban areas.²²

Although *tubercle bacillus*, the organism that causes TB, has been present in the human population since antiquity, exact pathological and anatomical descriptions of the disease do not appear until the seventeenth century. TB, or the "Great White Plague," as it became known, affected Europe starting in the seventeenth century and continued plaguing Europe and the United States for more than two hundred years. Sylvius, in his *Opera Medica* of 1679, was the first to identify actual tubercles as a consistent and characteristic change in the lungs and other areas of consumptive patients. In 1720, English physician Benjamin Marten published an article entitled, *A New Theory of Consumption*, in which he was the first to conjecture that TB could be caused by "wonderfully minute living creatures," which, once they thrived in the body, could generate the symptoms of the disease. Dr. Marten was also one of the first to recognize that the disease could be spread through inhalation, as he observed:

It may be therefore very likely that by an habitual lying in the same bed with a consumptive patient, constantly eating and drinking with him, or by very frequently conversing so nearly as to draw in part of the breath he emits from the lungs, a consumption may be caught by a sound person.²³

Although Dr. Marten's conjectures regarding the factors that caused TB were extremely insightful for the early eighteenth century, those attempting to treat and cure the disease were still "groping in the dark" until the sanatorium cure was developed in the mid-nineteenth century.²⁴ Under orders from his doctor to seek a

21 "Consumption" refers to a gradually wasting away of the body. Other names for the disease throughout history are *Phthisis* (from the Greek word to waste away), *scrofula* (swellings of the lymph nodes of the neck), and *TB* (the presence or products of the tubercle bacillus).

22 Tuberculosis, or "consumption," spreads through the air in close quarters when a person infected with TB of the lungs or throat coughs, spits, talks, or sneezes. Inhaled, the bacteria lodges in major organs, typically the lungs, and bores holes that degenerate those organs. A slowly developing chronic infection ensues, which can cause incessant bloody coughing, painful breathing, relentless fever and fatigue, debilitating joint pain, emaciation, and pallor. If untreated, the result is a protracted and painful death. Leah Y. Latimer, "Quarantined," *The Washington Post*, 10 December 2006; New York State Department of Health Website, "Tuberculosis," http://www.health.state.ny.us/diseases/communicable/tuberculosis/fact_sheet.htm (5 August 2009).

23 Global Tuberculosis Institute, "A History of Tuberculosis Treatment," <http://www.umdj.edu/ntbcweb/tbhistory.htm> (5 August 2009).

24 New York State Department of Health Website, 2009.

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healthier climate, Herman Brehmer, a German botany student suffering from TB, traveled to the Himalayan Mountains, where he could pursue his studies while trying to rid himself of the disease. In 1854, he returned to Germany completely cured of TB and presented a doctoral dissertation entitled "Tuberculosis is a Curable Disease." By 1863, Brehmer had built an institution in a rural area of Gorbersdorf, Germany,²⁵ based on the findings presented in his dissertation. Brehmer's institution provided its patients with good nutrition and ample rest on integral balconies where they were continuously exposed to high-altitude fresh air. Brehmer's facility became the blueprint for the subsequent development of the sanatorium, which represented the first real step in the fight against TB.²⁶

New advances in the understanding and treatment of TB rapidly succeeded Brehmer's discovery. In 1865, the French military doctor Jean Antoine Villemin proved the extremely contagious nature of the disease by demonstrating that TB could be passed from humans to cattle and from cattle to rabbits. Consequently, his studies disproved the prevailing notion that the disease spontaneously arose in each affected organism.²⁷ In 1882, during which time TB was raging throughout Europe and the Americas, killing one in seven people, Robert Koch, a German biologist, isolated the *tubercle bacillus*; thereby, Dr. Koch presented to the scientific community his discovery of the organism that caused the deadly disease.²⁸

Despite these advances, measures available to doctors for treating and curing TB remained modest. Due to the disease's highly contagious nature, treatments included isolation with plenty of rest and fresh air. Physicians believed that if the lungs were in a state of rest, the lung tissue would toughen and form pockets containing the infection, thus isolating the *tubercle bacillus*. Surgical treatment included purposefully collapsing one lung in order to give it time to heal. A massive campaign of public awareness was undertaken to improve social and sanitary conditions and improve nutrition to strengthen immune systems against the disease.²⁹

In 1886, Edward Livingston Trudeau started the sanatorium movement in the United States when he opened North America's first sanatorium purposefully built for the care and treatment of TB patients. Dr. Trudeau based his facility, located at Saranac Lake, New York, in the Adirondack Mountains, on the European model of strict supervision in providing fresh air and sunshine, bed rest, and nutritious foods. Sanatoriums began to appear throughout the United States soon thereafter. As infection control measures took hold in large urban centers of the country, TB patients who could not be treated in local dispensaries were removed from the general

25 Gorbersdorf is now part of Sokolowsko, Poland.

26 A *sanatorium* refers to an establishment that provides therapy combined with a regimen for treatment or rehabilitation, usually of a chronic disease.

27 Alvin Silverstein, Virginia Silverstein, and Robert Silverstein, *Tuberculosis* (Hillside, New Jersey: Enslow Publishers, Inc., 1994).

28 The organism was called a *tubercle bacillus* because small rounded bodies (tubercles) occurred in the diseased tissue. Through his many experiments with the organism, Dr. Koch worked on developing a cure for tuberculosis. Koch was able to isolate a protein from the tubercle bacillus that he tried as an immunizing agent and later as a treatment for the disease; in both cases it failed. However, the substance called "old tuberculin," was later used as the screening tool (tuberculin skin tests) for identifying people and animals infected with the disease.

29 Mark Caldwell, *The Last Crusade: The War on Consumption, 1862-1954* (New York: Atheneum, 1988), 3-15.

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population and placed into sanatoriums. By 1938, more than seven hundred sanatoriums were constructed throughout the United States, yet the number of patients outnumbered the beds available.³⁰

In 1892, Dr. Herman Biggs of New York started mandatory reporting of TB cases. In speaking to the New York Board of Health, Dr. Biggs advocated to:

- educate the public of the dangers that the disease posed to the person and his/her contacts;
- properly dispose of and immediately destroy sputum or the "discharges from the lungs" of the individuals with disease;
- have all physicians of pulmonary cases report such cases to the health department;
- have health inspectors visit the families where tuberculosis exists and deliver proper literature and take specific measures to disinfect the areas as may be required;
- obtain and submit sputum specimens to the laboratory for analysis; and,
- create a consumptive hospital to care for indigent patients.³¹

Dr. Biggs' recommendations to the New York Board of Health and their implementation in New York City created the model for TB control programs that was emulated by other health departments across the country. These recommendations also laid the groundwork for a campaign called the "War on Consumption."

The need for a localized approach to the treatment of TB was apparent throughout the United States by the end of the nineteenth century. Anti-TB work was proceeding throughout the country, making apparent the need for a centralized organization to coordinate and continue the efforts taking place. In June 1904, a group of physicians and other medical professions met at the home of Dr. Biggs and formed the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis. As outlined in the association's bylaws, their commitments were: (1) the study of TB in all its forms and relations; (2) the dissemination of knowledge about the causes, treatment, and prevention of TB; and, (3) the encouragement of the prevention and scientific treatment of TB.³² In 1918, the organization's name was shortened to the National Tuberculosis Association. In 1968, the organization's name changed again, to the National Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association, as the threat of death by tuberculosis subsided. In 1973, the organization's title officially changed to the American Lung Association.³³

The effectiveness of the isolation and fresh-air treatments has never been fully explored; however, the death rate caused by tuberculosis declined dramatically throughout the early twentieth century when such treatments were

³⁰ Silverstein, et al., 16.

³¹ Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Website, "History of Tuberculosis," <http://www.hhs.state.ne.us/cod/Tuberculosis/TBHistory.htm> (5 August 2009).

³² Sigard Adolphus Knopf, A History of the National Tuberculosis Association, (New York City: National Tuberculosis Association, 1922), 29.

³³ The association's famous tagline was and remains, "It's a matter of life and breath;" Silverstein, et. al., 16-17.

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commonly administered. From 1904 through 1919, the death rate fell thirty-three percent, and physicians and researchers continued to evaluate other possible treatments and preventive measures in combating TB. Although penicillin was discovered in 1929, it proved ineffective towards the disease. On November 20, 1944, the antibiotic *Streptomycin* was administered for the first time to a critically ill TB patient, and the impressive effect was almost immediate. The patient's advanced disease was visibly arrested, the bacteria disappeared from his sputum, and he made a rapid recovery. Consequently, TB was no longer a bacteriological exception; it could be assailed and beaten into retreat within the human body.³⁴

Following the discovery of *Streptomycin*, a rapid succession of anti-TB drugs appeared in subsequent years, including *Isoniazid* in 1952, *Pyrazinamide* in 1955, *Cycloserine* in 1955, *Ethambutol* in 1962, and *Rifampin* in 1963. These drugs were used separately or in combination to combat and treat TB. By the late 1950s and early 1960s, TB treatment had developed into a mere three-month to two-year course of medication (depending on the stage of the disease), and the sanatoriums specifically built to isolate and treat tuberculosis patients were no longer needed for that purpose.³⁵ Consequently, many of the sanatoriums, such as the Glenn Dale facility, became more generalized hospitals, accepting patients suffering from other chronic and/or debilitating diseases.

In the twenty-first century, tuberculosis is still diagnosed throughout the world, including within the United States. The diagnosis relies on radiology, a tuberculin skin test, blood test, and examinations and cultures of bodily fluids. Treatment usually consists of long courses of multiple antibiotics. In 2009, the National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention, as part of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, assumes responsibility for public health surveillance and prevention research of TB in the United States.

Care and Treatment of Tuberculosis Patients in the District of Columbia, 1904-1924

As the success of Dr. Trudeau's New York tuberculosis sanatorium became apparent, other facilities whose functions were solely relegated to the treatment of TB emerged throughout the United States. These included public, private, and federally owned facilities. Prior to the establishment of the first TB hospital in the District of Columbia (District), patients suffering from TB generally remained among the rest of the population, particularly those who lacked the resources to be admitted to a private facility located in a neighboring state. In this manner, individuals perpetuated the spread of TB throughout the population circles within which they moved.³⁶

In 1908, the District saw the completion of its first hospital built specifically to house and treat tuberculosis patients. The Tuberculosis Hospital of the District of Columbia was built at the corner of 14th and Upshur streets in the northwestern quadrant of Washington, DC, at a cost of \$100,000.³⁷ The building was erected "at a remarkably low cost and is interesting in the way it is planned to house advanced and incipient, white and

³⁴ New York State Department of Health Website, 2009.

³⁵ Ibid.

³⁶ "Glenn Dale Unit Is Dedicated With Impressive Rites," *Washington Star*, 15 September 1937.

³⁷ Thomas Spees Carrington, *Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium Construction* (New York City: The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, 1914), 74.

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colored, male and female, patients; each group in a separate wing or on a separate floor."³⁸ The three-story brick hospital building, which accommodated approximately 120 beds, was erected atop a full basement, which housed a large dining room, kitchen, pantry, and boiler room. The first two floors contained the primary wards for the patients, as well as offices, "toilet rooms, diet kitchens, and other rooms needed in the administration of a general hospital." The entire third floor was devoted to open-air wards.³⁹

The District's first TB hospital was considered one of the most up-to-date facilities in the country at the time of its construction. According to the National Tuberculosis Association, the hospital was, "well-worth a visit, not only because of its unique arrangement, but also because it will offer many suggestions to those who have to solve the problem of housing tuberculosis patients in large, congested cities."⁴⁰

Throughout its first few years of operation, the hospital operated at a satisfactory capacity. However, as TB continued to spread throughout the District, the hospital had to undergo minor additions and changes to accommodate more patients. In 1918, the Board of Commissioners for the District submitted a request to the U.S. Treasury Department to secure \$200,000 in appropriations for the enlargement of the hospital. Although the request for the total amount was denied, the District received a portion of the money in order to increase the bed capacity to 160 patients, and the occupancy increased further to 225 patients within two decades.⁴¹

The District's hospital primarily provided treatment and accommodation to adults, with only fifteen beds reserved for children who were extremely ill.⁴² The District lacked a facility to isolate children in the early stages of the disease. The hospital grounds hosted a day camp, sponsored by the Red Cross, for children of the District. This camp, which operated from June to September, served as a "preventorium," providing children with the fresh air and balanced nutrition thought to keep TB at bay.⁴³ Children under the age of twelve with advanced stages of TB and forced to bed rest could be admitted to the District's Children General Hospital, yet the hospital ultimately lacked the staff and equipment to properly treat TB in children. In 1917, the District established two schools, separated by race, to provide education for those children between the ages of seven and sixteen suffering from TB. However, the schools only provided for the education of TB-inflicted children, as mandated by the compulsory education law, and were not institutions created for the treatment of the disease. Therefore, the need for a children's tuberculosis hospital became increasingly apparent to residents and officials in the District.⁴⁴

Planning and Design of the Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium Site, 1924-1931

38 Ibid.

39 Ibid.

40 Ibid.

41 "Glenn Dale Unit Is Dedicated With Impressive Rites," *Washington Star*, 15 September 1937.

42 "Hospital for 150 Tuberculous Children Opens Here May 1; Plans for Adults Laid," *Washington Daily News*, 2 April 1934.

43 National Tuberculosis Association, *Sanatoria, Hospitals, and Day Camps for the Treatment of Tuberculosis in the United States*, (New York City: National Tuberculosis Association, 1919).

44 Ben McKelway, "Care of Tuberculosis Children Real Problem for the District," *Washington Star*, 22 January 1928.

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Throughout the 1920s and into the early 1930s, the tuberculosis hospital at 14th and Upshur streets in Washington, DC, became increasingly overcrowded. The District ranked fourth highest among the nation's cities for its TB death rate. The average occupancy of the District's tuberculosis hospital ranged between 220 and 225 patients, with an ever-growing waiting list. Makeshift beds were used, further hampering the District's ability to provide the best care possible. District residents continued to seek treatment in a facility that was proving inadequate, and the need for a separate children's facility was still unmet.⁴⁵

In 1924, the Tuberculosis Association of the District of Columbia filed a report with the District Commissioners detailing the need for a children's tuberculosis sanatorium, thus providing the impetus for the Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium. Three years later, the Monday Evening Club, a Washington, DC, literary society, filed a report with the Bureau of Efficiency again setting forth the need for a children's TB hospital.⁴⁶ In the next two years, various organizations and medical professionals continued to lobby Congress for funding for the establishment of a children's tuberculosis sanatorium in the District.

The first real step towards progress in the movement for a new tuberculosis facility occurred in 1919, when Congressman Ernest Gibson of Vermont introduced a bill into the House of Representatives on the same day that Senator Arthur Capper of Kansas, Chair of the Senate's District of Columbia Committee, introduced a similar bill into the U.S. Senate. Both bills authorized the building of a children's tuberculosis hospital and sanatorium in the District, with an appropriation of \$500,000. The bills were subsequently combined, approved, and signed into law by President Calvin Coolidge on March 1, 1929. Shortly thereafter, Congress enacted an additional appropriation of \$1,500 to study the subject and to prepare preliminary plans for the buildings. Based on the recommendations and findings of the study, Congress increased the appropriation for the sanatorium to \$625,000 and granted permission to locate the facility outside of the District's boundaries. President Herbert Hoover signed the bill, as amended, on April 8, 1930.⁴⁷

The hospital was to serve children whose parents were residents of the District, but who were unable to pay for care. Paying cases were only admitted if all indigent cases on the waiting list had been treated. This demonstrates that the disease was considered a substantial enough public health threat that public funds were used to provide treatment for those who could not pay to provide it for themselves.⁴⁸

After approval of the bill in 1930, the District was faced with finding an appropriate site upon which to build the children's tuberculosis hospital and sanatorium. According to newspaper accounts, the District Commissioners considered as many as 125 sites in Virginia, Maryland, and the District.⁴⁹ The Engineer Commissioner subsequently eliminated all but eighteen of the sites due to cost. The eighteen sites were further narrowed to six final sites. Although it seemed most convenient that the hospital be located within the District in order to allow

⁴⁵ "Glenn Dale Unit Is Dedicated With Impressive Rites," *Washington Star*, 15 September 1937.

⁴⁶ Daniel Leo Finuncane, "A Short History of Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Sanatorium," 18 July 1946, on file at National Archives and Records Administration, Record Group 3-262 (Department of Public Health), College Park, Maryland.

⁴⁷ Ibid; King, 8-2.

⁴⁸ King, 8-3.

⁴⁹ "Ground Will Be Broken in December For Children's Tubercular Sanitarium," *The Washington Post*, 5 October 1931.

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children to remain in close proximity to their families, the Commissioners selected and purchased a 216-acre site of "high rolling land near Glendale Station, Md., which is in Prince George's County, about 12 miles northeast of Washington."⁵⁰ The site was selected at the advice of Dr. Chadwick, of Detroit, "who was a consultant on the subject...and advised a rural location because of the purer air."⁵¹ In August 14, 1930, the federal government purchased two parcels "situate on the public road from Buena Vista to Glenn Dale," that encompassed approximately 156.5 acres from Margaret R. Sharman, a widow, for \$42,650.⁵² On September 4, 1930, Daniel B. and Anna Belle Lloyd conveyed their sixty-acre tract "on the road from Bladensburg to Annapolis," to the federal government for \$15,250; thus bringing the total land area for the site to 216 acres.⁵³ The selected site at Glenn Dale was accessible via the Defense Highway (Annapolis Road, MD 450), which had been recently upgraded in 1927, as well as the Washington, Baltimore, and Annapolis electric railway, which bisected the northern part of the campus. The large size of the site was also a factor in its selection due to the foresight of some of the committee members, who envisioned a large multi-building complex for the treatment of adults as well as children.

When the site of the new hospital at Glenn Dale was chosen, Glenn Dale was a small community, platted in 1871 along the Washington Branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad.⁵⁴ The area was largely comprised of woodland and agricultural fields. The improvement of the Defense Highway in 1927 and the ease of rail access contributed to increasing growth in the area.

The acquisition of the Glenn Dale site came at a tumultuous economic and social time for not only the District, but also for the entire nation as thousands suffered the affects of the Great Depression. The selection of the Glenn Dale site and the appropriation of the funding to construct the hospital would lead to the employment of many District and Prince George's County residents. Although the federal government owned the 216-acre site, the District would be responsible for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the buildings. The responsibility of the design fell to the Office of the Municipal Architect of the District of Columbia (Municipal Architect), which oversaw the design and construction of all municipal buildings within the District, including schools and hospitals.⁵⁵ In April 1931, the District Commissioners announced their employment of an outside private architect to begin work on plans for the new children's tuberculosis hospital and sanatorium. The recommendation of hiring a private architect came from Assistant Engineer Commissioner Major H.L. Robb,

50 Ibid; The Commissioners were familiar with Glenn Dale due to the construction of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Plant Introduction Station, located to the north of the Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium, in 1920.

51 Ibid.

52 Prince George's County Circuit Court-Land Records Department, Deed Book 359, Page 16.

53 Prince George's County Circuit Court-Land Records Department, Deed Book 359, Page 18; Daniel Lloyd resided at Buena Vista, an estate at the intersection of Glenn Dale Road and the Defense Highway, and owned 230 acres of farmland in the immediate vicinity. He served as the Recorder of the U.S. Senate from 1883 until his death in 1943, and was therefore an influential government employee. He is credited with being influential in securing construction of the Defense Highway and founding the Bank of Bowie. However, the degree of his influence in deliberations over the selection of Glenn Dale is unknown; King, 8-2.

54 Susan Pearl, et. al, "Historic Contexts in Prince George's County," June 1990 and August 1991, 18, on file at Prince George's County Planning Department, Glenn Dale Hospital Vertical File, Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

55 The Office of the Municipal Architect of the District of Columbia was created in 1909, under the Engineer Commissioner. The position replaced that of Building Inspector.

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who was entrusted with the task of "speeding up the building construction and land-purchase work in the interest of reducing unemployment in the District."⁵⁶

The Commissioners hired architect Thomas B. Kidner, of New York City, a specialist in the design of hospitals, at a cost of \$50 per day, plus travel expenses. Upon the selection of Kidner, the Commissioners named a committee of District officials to consult with various experts and make recommendations to the Commissioners regarding the building design. The committee, which was "to consult all available expert opinion and make final recommendations to the Commissioners as to the layout of the new institution," consisted of District physicians, architects, and school officials.⁵⁷

Plans were submitted to the District's Commission of Fine Arts for review and comment by July 1, 1931. The meeting minutes note that Mr. A.L. Harris, Municipal Architect, submitted a plan for the new tuberculosis hospital and sanatorium to be "built by the District of Columbia Government near Lanham, Maryland, about ten miles from Washington on the National Defense Highway to Annapolis," on the 216 acres already purchased by the government. Upon review of the plans, the Commission advised a restudy of the central pavilion of the children's hospital buildings and recommended that the small pediments below the chimneys be removed. In addition, members of the Commission suggested that a flat-roof connection should be made between the varying wings of the hospital building, instead of constructing wings of various heights.⁵⁸

Plans for the new hospital, which included the children's hospital and sanatorium, nurse's dormitory, central heating and power plant, and dwelling for the resident physician, were approved by October 5, 1931.⁵⁹ Newspaper accounts credited Mr. Lawrence Johnston of the Municipal Architect's Office, under the supervision of Municipal Architect A. L. Harris, with the design of the children's hospital and the nurses' dormitory. According to one article:

The large size of the tract has allowed Lawrence Johnston...a wide vision in layout out a beautiful set of buildings. The central or main one is to be located fairly near the knoll on which stands now the old Randall house, which will serve for a staff house or the resident physician and internes [sic], temporarily, at least.⁶⁰

⁵⁶ "Architect Hired For Sanatorium," *Washington Star*, 10 August 1931.

⁵⁷ Committee members included Assistant Engineer Commissioner H.L. Robb; Dr. Luther Reichelderfer, President of the Board of Commissioners; George S. Wilson, Director of Public Welfare; Dr. William C. Fowler, District Health Officer; Albert L. Harris, Municipal Architect; Dr. Joseph W. Peabody, Superintendent of the Municipal Tuberculosis Hospital [on Upshur Street]; Dr. Joseph A. Murphy, in charge of the Health Department's work in public schools; and Robert L. Haycock, Assistant Superintendent of the District's schools; "Group Appointed To Assist Plans for Sanatorium," *Washington Star*, 24 April 1931.

⁵⁸ District of Columbia Commission of Fine Arts, Meeting Minutes, 1 July 1931, on file at Prince George's County Planning Department, Glenn Dale Hospital Vertical File, Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

⁵⁹ "Ground Will Be Broken in December For Children's Tubercular Sanitarium," *The Washington Post*, 5 October 1931.

⁶⁰ *Ibid*; the old Randall house was torn down ca. 1935 to make way for the two duplexes and two single-family dwellings.

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The new buildings at Glenn Dale were to be erected in the Colonial Revival style; the architectural style promoted by the Municipal Architect's Office during the tenure of Albert L. Harris. This style was also highly favored by the Commission of Fine Arts. Plans for the children's hospital included a long, rectangular structure with a central block possessing monumental columns surmounted by a triangular pediment and cupola modeled after Mount Vernon; however, the extraneous details would be simplified by the time of construction.⁶¹ The nurses' dormitory, was to be an "attractive, two-story structure with attic and basement, to cost around \$65,000."⁶² With the approved plans in hands, the District was ready to start building their first hospital designed exclusively for the treatment and care of children afflicted with TB.

Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium, Including a Discussion on the Treatment of Tuberculosis at Glenn Dale, 1932-1960

Ground was broken for the construction of the children's hospital and sanatorium on June 30, 1932. Although the children's building was completed by June 1934, issues with the water supply delayed its opening until September. The property was dependent upon wells for its water supply, and the first water drawn from the institution's standpipe was cloudy. Several months were spent attempting to clear the pipes in order to obtain a completely functional water system. Other delays included minor structural details, such as the proper covering of certain floors with linoleum.⁶³

The plagued economy of the Great Depression era necessitated concessions and alterations to the original design of the children's hospital and sanatorium. The building that opened on September 15, 1934, was simpler and more utilitarian in appearance than originally designed. The proposed, prominent Mount Vernon-like entry was restrained to a simple Greek Revival-style surround comprised of pilasters and pediment. Only the central block was completed in 1934, containing all service and administrative offices and beds for 150 children, but excluding the originally proposed wings. A requested staff of one-hundred employees was diminished to only forty-nine, until other funds could be appropriated.⁶⁴

Prior to the building's opening in September 1934, Congress appropriated the necessary \$400,000 to complete the footprint of the building as originally designed, in order to accommodate three-hundred children. At this time, the District Tuberculosis Association possessed a card index of over 1200 children either known or believed to have TB; there was no lack of young patients to fill the eventual three-hundred beds. Wings to house additional room space and "ward porches" were added, and the children's hospital assumed its present appearance by 1936.⁶⁵ Three types of care were treated at the hospital, according to the stage of the disease, and each floor of the hospital had its purpose:

⁶¹ King, 8-3.

⁶² "Ground Will Be Broken in December For Children's Tubercular Sanitarium," *The Washington Post*, 5 October 1931.

⁶³ "New Sanatorium To Aid Children Open Next Month," *Washington Star*, August 1934.

⁶⁴ "New Children's Sanatorium Radically Altered by Economy," *Washington Star*, April 1934.

⁶⁵ King, 8-3.

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The first, early, or suspect cases: These will be admitted on the ground floor and held under observation in rooms there or on the first floor. Second ambulant cases under treatment and observation, second floor. Third, advanced, ill or operative cases, third floor. There are to be equal facilities for both white and black children...On the ground floor will be a kitchen, up-to-date to the last detail, and adjoining dining rooms for children who are runabout cases...Nearby will be a large playroom for use in bad weather...there will occupational therapy and schoolrooms...All equipment is to be of the finest, most up-to-date sort...There will be the usual rooms for preparation of bandages...the sickest and operative cases will be cared for on the third floor...the fourth floor has been planned for a morgue and autopsy room.⁶⁶

The nurses' dormitory (Capper Hall) opened in 1934 at the same time as the children's hospital. Only the western portion of the expansive building was constructed, including the central block and south wing. Capper Hall purportedly was modeled after the Brice House in Annapolis, Maryland, with its perpendicular, one-story hyphens and end chimneys. The dormitory was regarded as a "fine Colonial Residence with no appearance of being connected with an institution."⁶⁷

A water tower was erected northwest of the nurse's dormitory ca. 1934.⁶⁸ The one-story brick power plant to provide the heating facilities throughout the campus was also constructed northeast of the children's hospital ca. 1934.

As part of the additional \$400,000 Congressional appropriation passed prior to the opening of the children's hospital, \$100,000 was to be provided for the purposes of preparing plans for an adult tuberculosis sanatorium, to replace the old tuberculosis hospital at 14th and Upshur streets. This appropriation followed a report by the Medical Society in which they found "deploring inadequate facilities for the treatment of tuberculosis patients in Washington."⁶⁹

Shortly thereafter, Congress approved a Public Works Administration (PWA) grant of \$1,500,000 for the construction of an adult sanatorium to house four-hundred patients. The appropriation also allowed for the construction of associated buildings including nurse's dormitories, doctors' quarters, employee quarters, additions to the power plant, a laundry, a sewage disposal plant, and a garage. The appropriation also allowed water to be piped to the property from the Maryland Suburban Sanitary Commission. Although public works spending as a means to aid recovery during the Great Depression began under the President Herbert Hoover Administration, President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal is credited with using the federal building program to achieve relief. These efforts were formalized in 1933, when the Public Works Administration (PWA) was

66 "Ground Will Be Broken in December For Children's Tubercular Sanitarium," *The Washington Post*, 5 October 1931.

67 Ibid.

68 The ca.-1933 water tower was torn down ca. 1960, when the existing water tower was erected.

69 "Hospital for 150 Tuberculous Children Opens Here May 1; Plans for Adults Laid," *Washington Daily News*, 2 April 1934.

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organized to give structure to the recovery effort. The PWA oversaw the planning and construction of federal and non-federal public works projects including the building of the adult building at Glenn Dale Hospital. To stimulate economic recovery, local, state, and federal governments rapidly expanded its public works program, which, in turn, provided work for the unemployed, many of whom were in the building trades.⁷⁰

With the approval of funds needed to erect the new adult hospital at Glenn Dale, a special board was appointed to study the various proposed sites for the new building. Some parties argued that patients needed a higher altitude climate than Glenn Dale afforded. Harold Ickes, Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior, believed that a mountain climate would be more "socially desirable" than the Glenn Dale site.⁷¹ President Franklin D. Roosevelt subsequently convened a committee of medical experts to advise him and Secretary Ickes on, "whether the hospital should be built at Glenn Dale, the site bought by the District on advice of experts, and confirmed as suitable by another group of experts, or whether the hospital should be in the mountains."⁷² The committee ultimately, "advised the President to build the hospital at Glenn Dale," and stressed two important points:

One was that the victims of tuberculosis—and Washington ranks fourth among the cities of the country in its tuberculosis death rate—admitted to hospitals for treatment should be near their families. Another was that the cost of maintenance is the most important expense connected with any hospital, and it is cheaper to maintain a single hospital unit, as proposed for Glenn Dale, than the two units that would exist if the adult hospital were in the mountains and the childrens' hospital at Glenn Dale.⁷³

The committee noted further:

We have visited attractive sites near Bluemont, Virginia, Braddock Heights, Maryland, and others, but none of these offer in our opinion anything which would outweigh the many advantages of Glenn Dale. For these and many other reasons this committee, after inspection of the several sites suggested and due and careful consideration, recommend that the District of Columbia Tuberculosis Hospital be erected at Glenn Dale, upon land already acquired by the District.⁷⁴

70 Ellis Armstrong, *History of Public Works of the United States, 1776-1945* (Chicago: American Public Works Association, 1976), 327.

71 Secretary Ickes also served as the federal emergency administrator of public works, and was therefore responsible for releasing the PWA check to fund the new hospital's construction.

72 "Delay," *The Washington Star*, 27 August 1934.

73 Ibid.

74 "Text of Letter Backing Glenn Dale as Site of Tuberculosis Hospital," *Washington Star*, 24 August 1934.

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The site was finally chosen in September 1934, and the District announced plans to employ a "sufficient number of designers and engineers" to expedite drafts of working drawings for the new adult hospital.⁷⁵ Officials estimated that drafts could be ready within six months, as the design of such a special-purpose building required much thought. This effort mirrored those mobilized at the onset of planning for the children's hospital in 1932. The Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium projects, as well as additional public works projects throughout the District, necessitated an increase in staff of the Municipal Architect's office. By the time drafting began on the adult hospital plans, the staff had doubled to over forty full-time employees.⁷⁶

The District Commissioners selected six District officials to advise the architects in their design of the new adult hospital. Major Paul A. Hodgson, director of the Office of the Municipal Architect of the District and assistant Engineer Commission for the District, was named chairman of the Board of Advisors. The five other members included Health Officer William C. Fowler; Municipal Architects Nathan C. Wyeth and Charles B. McGrew; General Superintendant of Tuberculosis Hospitals Dr. Joseph W. Peabody; and Head of Children's Tuberculosis Sanatorium Dr. Daniel Finucane.⁷⁷ The plans also required approval from special medical consultants, as well as the Fine Arts Commission and the National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

The Commission of Fine Arts discussed the construction and design of the adult hospital and a nurses' dormitory in their February 23, 1935 meeting. As noted:

Mr. Nathan C. Wyeth, accompanied by Mr. A.L. Kundzin of his office, submitted a design of the adult tuberculosis hospital to be built at Glendale, Maryland (15 miles east of Washington) where the children's hospital is now built. The building was designed in the Georgian type of architecture...Wyeth said Dr. Goldwater of the hospital was consulted in connection of the design...Similarly a plan was submitted for a nurses home, designed in the Georgian style of architecture. This is to be a separate building and will house 56 nurses. Mr. Swartwout [Fine Arts Commission] thought there were too many dormers but Mr. Wyeth said they were necessary to give as much light as possible. It was suggested then that he redesign the dormers to make them less conspicuous, and he said would do this.⁷⁸

⁷⁵ "Plans Speeded on Sanatorium," *Washington Star*, 6 September 1934.

⁷⁶ Ibid.

⁷⁷ Ibid.

⁷⁸ Various architects, both private and public, are credited in newspaper accounts and histories regarding Glenn Dale, and therefore it was most likely a joint venture of professionals who contributed to the ultimate design of each building. Nathan C. Wyeth most likely oversaw the design of many of Glenn Dale's buildings, as he was also working on other District buildings, including the Oval Office in the White House, the Russell Senate and Longworth House office buildings, the city's municipal libraries, courts, schools, and elegant residences along Embassy Row. Latimer, 10 December 2006; District of Columbia Commission of Fine Arts, Meeting Minutes, 23 February 1935, on file at Prince George's County Planning Department, Glenn Dale Hospital Vertical File, Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

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Ultimately, the Fine Arts Commission approved the design for the adult hospital and the nurses' dormitory in a letter to Mr. Wyeth dated February 25, 1935.⁷⁹ Public health officials and municipal architects selected a location for the new adult hospital on a knoll situated at the highest point on the property. The building would be set back approximately 450 feet from Glenn Dale Road, which would separate the adult facility from the children's hospital. The adult hospital would face southeast to afford the patients' rooms with direct sunlight during the day.⁸⁰

On March 28, 1935, the PWA released a \$1,400,000 check to the District Commissioners for the construction of the adult tuberculosis hospital and sanatorium and associated buildings at Glenn Dale.⁸¹ With the check, Secretary Ickes sent his approval for the design of a nine hundred-foot well, to be drilled on April 15, in order to determine if there would be adequate well water for the site. Following this approval, plans for a heating plant expansion, a garage and service building, a nurses' dormitory, and the four-story, brick, stone, and concrete superstructure for the adult hospital were submitted within subsequent weeks.⁸²

By May 1935, the District commenced construction on the new adult facility at the Glenn Dale Hospital. However, work was soon halted when forty-five of the eighty-five workers on the site went on strike over wages. Skilled laborers of the District were being paid fifty-five cents per hour (the prevailing wage for District labor) while general laborers received only forty-five cents an hour. Despite threats of a full employee strike, District officials soon resolved the issue without having to bring in non-union labor, and work on the new facility continued.⁸³ The PWA had requested that the building be completed by July 1936 and ready for occupancy the following month. Work progressed slowly, plagued by problems of providing an adequate water system for the entire hospital complex. The water supply for the children's hospital failed in early November 1935, forcing water to be trucked into the site in street-cleaning trucks. This prompted an additional plan for the construction of an entire new water system for Glenn Dale Hospital.⁸⁴

In 1935 and 1937, the Section of Painting and Sculpture of the Works Progress Administration (WPA), another New Deal-era program, commissioned two murals for the children's hospital. The first mural, painted by Bernice Cross, depicted Old King Cole and other Mother Goose nursery rhyme characters. The mural was located on the left side of the lobby as one entered the children's hospital building, covering the wall above the wainscoting.⁸⁵ A second WPA-commissioned mural, which depicted the history of electricity, was begun by Allan Page Flavelle in 1936. Flavelle was challenged with the task of painting on his back, as the mural was applied to the ceiling of the heliotherapy room (light treatment) on the second floor of the children's hospital.

79 Letter to Mr. Nathan C. Wyeth from District of Columbia Commission of Fine Arts, 25 February 1935, on file at Prince George's County Planning Department, Glenn Dale Hospital Vertical File, Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

80 "Glenn Dale Unit is Dedicated With Impressive Rites," *Washington Star*, 15 September 1937.

81 "\$1,400,000 PWA Check is Sent T.B. Hospital," *Washington Herald*, 29 March 1935; \$100,000 of the appropriation was previously sent to the District, so the total amounted to \$1,500,000.

82 Ibid.

83 "Strike Ties Up Work on New Sanatorium," *Washington Times*, 9 May 1935.

84 "Herald Led War On T.B. Menace," *Washington Herald*, 15 September 1937.

85 The mural is no longer visible. It is not known if it was painted over or removed; King 8-7; "Mural to Stay," *Washington Star*, 25 November 1937.

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Before the work was complete, Flavelle's mural was painted over because the hospital administrative staff felt it was taking too long to complete and the theme was "incomprehensible."⁸⁶

On January 15, 1936, District officials, the Fine Arts Commission, and the National Capital Park and Planning Commission approved plans for the "construction of a complete 'city' at Glenn Dale...with its own laundry building, water supply, and other facilities to care for 700 patients and doctors, nurses, workmen and attendants."⁸⁷ Work had begun on the other buildings at Glenn Dale, apart from the adult hospital, by February 1936. The entire facility was completed by August 1937.⁸⁸

The new adult hospital, "the finest tuberculosis sanatorium in country," was dedicated at two o'clock on the afternoon of September 15, 1937.⁸⁹ The ceremony was attended by a "host of District officials and citizens prominent in welfare work."⁹⁰ Dr. George C. Ruhland, Health Officer of the District, presided over the ceremonies, which also included an inspection of the hospital's advanced medical equipment. Surgeon General Thomas Parran, Jr., of the U.S. Public Health Service, gave the dedication address, in which he praised the hospital facility as "the most up-to-date and complete institution of its kind in the country," and that the hospital's equipment would "be of great aid in reducing the mortality rate of tuberculosis in the District."⁹¹ A newspaper article described the new building:

Administrative offices, medical library, X-ray laboratory, staff and physicians' dining room and other non-treatment rooms are located on the first floor, occupying about one-third of the floor space. The remaining area and all of the second, third, and fourth floors are devoted entirely to the care and treatment of the patients. In the basement are kitchens, dishwashing rooms, dressing rooms, etc.

The fifth floor contains the operating rooms, dentist's office, laboratory, sterilization rooms and accommodations for patients who use large sun decks on the roof areas over the fourth floor ceiling.

All patients except those whom it is necessary to isolate, will have space for their beds on porches. The porches are screened and are equipped with

⁸⁶ Helen Buchalter, "Pictures on Ceiling to Entertain Sick Children Who Lie Under Health Lamp; Artist Faces Grueling Task," *Washington Daily News*, 8 May 1937; "W.P.A.'s 'History of Electricity' Already Erased at Glenn Dale," *Washington Star*, 19 November 1937.

⁸⁷ Ibid.

⁸⁸ \$1,400,000 PWA Check Is Sent T.B. Hospital," *Washington Herald*, 29 March 1935; "Glenn Dale Unit Is Dedicated With Impressive Rights," *Washington Star*, 15 September 1937.

⁸⁹ "Herald Led War On T.B. Menace," *Washington Herald*, 15 September 1937.

⁹⁰ "Glenn Dale Unit Is Dedicated With Impressive Rights," *Washington Star*, 15 September 1937.

⁹¹ Ibid.

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mechanically controlled steel windows which give 100 per cent opening but which can be closed quickly in case of a sudden storm.⁹²

Following the ceremony, four Army Medical Corps ambulances began preparations to transfer the sixty-one bed-ridden patients from the old hospital at 14th and Upshur streets NW in Washington, DC, to the new Glenn Dale Hospital facility the following day. The remaining 160 patients were scheduled to transfer by bus.⁹³

From the beginning of construction at the site, landscaping was an important part of the facility's plans, as the regimen for treatment focused on fresh air and pleasant surroundings. Several different landscape architects worked on the project throughout the 1930s, including Joseph Gardner, a professional in private practice whose work was favored by Nathan C. Wyeth. In 1937, Gardner prepared a landscaping plan for the nurses' dormitories and the staff residences, as well as the terraced lawn on the south side of the children's hospital. Leonard Bartlett, Jr., employed by the National Park Service, prepared a planting plan for the Employees' Building (constructed in ca. 1938). August H. Hanson, also employed by the National Park Service, simplified Joseph Gardner's plan and provided updated plans for the nurses' dormitories and staff residences. Overall, the plans are simple and not innovative in the layout, types, or species of plants used. Many indigenous species are suggested, including red maple, red oak, willow oak, American elm, and holly, as well as standard ornamental trees, such as flowering pear and dogwood. Landscape features included large grassy lawns in front of buildings, and tree and shrub clusters around entranceways and along the series of interrelated walkways and trees that connected each building of the campus. A curvilinear street plan was used, strengthening the campus setting.⁹⁴

With the opening of the adult hospital, District Health Officer Dr. Ruhland intended for the operations of the children's and adult hospitals to merge in order to ensure the complete utilization of the property. Dr. Ruhland envisioned that patients could be treated at either hospital, regardless of age. In the fall of 1937, half of the beds in the three-hundred-bed children's hospital were vacant, whereas "the wards for white adults are filled to capacity," resulting in a large number of adults in urgent need of hospitalization, who are not receiving adequate treatment.⁹⁵ Doctors and health officials urged for an isolation of the vacant parts of the children's hospital in order to accommodate adult patients. This appeal soon sparked protests from, "indignant parents and members of Congress," which in turn inspired the District Commissioners to take action.⁹⁶

Orders were released forbidding the treatment of adults in the children's hospital in early December 1937. Commissioner George E. Allen explained that only an epidemic, fire, or flood would justify the treatment of adults in the children's hospital. Commissioner Allen added further, "Congress intended for children to be taken care of in the children's sanatorium and adults in the adult building...It seems to be only horse sense,

⁹² Ibid.

⁹³ Ibid; The 1908 adult tuberculosis hospital at 14th and Upshur streets was subsumed into the larger Gallinger General Hospital complex. The building was demolished in the late-twentieth century.

⁹⁴ King, 8-7.

⁹⁵ "Adults Banned At Glenn Dale By City Heads," *Washington Banner*, 11 December 1937.

⁹⁶ Ibid.

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though, to say that children with noninfectious tuberculosis shouldn't be treated in the same sanatorium with adults with pulmonary tuberculosis, which is communicable."⁹⁷

Despite disagreement over the care of adults in the children's hospital, the second and third floors of the children's hospital were open to adults in 1938 due to increasing demand for adult care. In 1938, a District appropriation act provided for a merge of the Children's Tuberculosis Sanatorium and Adult Tuberculosis Sanatorium into one unit. This act also transferred the jurisdiction of the hospitals of the District from the Board of Public Welfare to the Health Department.⁹⁸

By the end of the 1930s, the Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium contained sixteen buildings, including the two hospitals, two nurses' dormitories and connecting arcade, two single-family residences, two duplexes, a warehouse/garage, a power plant, a sludge bed enclosure, a sedimentation and control building, a water softener house, a pump house, a large employees' dormitory, and a laundry. Between 1940 and 1950, three additional buildings were constructed on the campus (two apartment buildings and a hot house), followed by a paint shop in 1953, and a garage, a water tower, and an incinerator in 1960.⁹⁹

These latter buildings were the last to be constructed on the hospital property. By the late 1950s, effective antibiotics in the treatment of TB had been discovered. By 1957, there were suggestions that the District sell the hospital to generate funds for the expansion of the District's general hospital complex. The new antibiotic methods of treating tuberculosis allowed patients to stay in their homes rather than isolating them for long periods in a sanatorium. Beginning in January 1960, Glenn Dale Hospital was opened to persons with long-term and chronic illnesses, thus ending the campus' thirty-six years of exclusively housing and treating TB-inflicted patients.¹⁰⁰

Treatment and Accommodations at Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium

Newspaper articles dating to the 1930s and 1940s praise Glenn Dale as having the most advanced and up-to-date equipment possible for combating TB. Before the advent of antibiotic treatment, medical professionals relied on sunshine, fresh air, rest, and balanced nutrition to combat the disease. The lush, manicured landscape of the Glenn Dale campus, vital to the quiet, serene environment thought to facilitate treatment of TB, led many to dub it "Glenn Dale Golf Club."¹⁰¹ The goal of Glenn Dale "out in the country" resulted in a large and self-contained campus of hospital buildings for both children and adults, as well as residences for doctors, nurses, engineers, cooks, and other staff required to run the facility twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.¹⁰²

⁹⁷ Ibid.

⁹⁸ Finucane, 18 July 1946.

⁹⁹ King, 8-8.

¹⁰⁰ Ibid.

¹⁰¹ Latimer, 10 December 2006.

¹⁰² Prince George's County Historical Society, "Eyewitnesses to Prince George's County History: Testimonials for the Glenn Dale Hospital," *News and Notes*, November-December 2008.

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By 1946, the hospital accommodated 676 beds, of which approximately one-hundred were reserved for children. The daily operating costs had risen per patient from \$4.59 in 1944 to \$7.61 by 1947.¹⁰³ According to Dr. Daniel Finucane, the administrator of the facility in the 1940s, Glenn Dale provides its patients with:

...complete service, including all medical care. This means care not only of the tuberculosis infection, but of any complication that the patient may have or may develop in the course of treatment, and for this purposes there is a large staff of consulting physicians who are in private practice in the District of Columbia and who are called on as needed. Dental care is provided by a full-time resident dentist. Occupational therapy, class work, recreational activities, and social service are provided by full-time employees. Two Rehabilitation Workers, under the Direction of Columbia Tuberculosis Association, are on full-time duty at the Sanatorium, and the Tuberculosis Association also sponsors a commissary.

The staff has grown until at the present time we have a total of 501 employees and the total appropriation for fiscal year is \$1,389,308. The function of the Sanatorium is to provide complete care for any resident of the District of Columbia, regardless of age, who has been diagnosed as having tuberculosis by a physician and who is recommended for hospital care by that physician or by a physician of the Health Department. All cases are cleared through the Health Department Chest Clinic before being admitted to the Sanatorium. All cases are cleared, also, for residence and economic standing by the Permit Office of the Health Department. The Sanatorium is certified as an approved hospital by the American College of Surgeons, and is also approved by the Council on Hospitals of the American Medical Association.¹⁰⁴

Upon arrival at Glenn Dale, adult patients were given a handbook advising them of the procedures, rules, and services available at the facility. The handbook advised, "You are at Glenn Dale Hospital because this is where you get the best treatment for your condition. You need rest, quiet, and good food."¹⁰⁵ At the foot of the patient's bed, a colored card with a classification number identified the activity classification at the time of admittance. Blue represented the most ill of patients, with bed rest required twenty-four hours a day. Red represented patients with the earliest stages of the disease who did their own laundry, were able to use the telephone and attend church at will, were allowed recreational activities outside of their room, and were required to participate in occupational therapy and education daily. Those with less advanced stages of the disease were

¹⁰³ Tuberculosis Survey Committee, "Tuberculosis Control in Maryland" (A Report of the Tuberculosis Survey Committee of the Committee on Medical Care of the Maryland State Planning Commission, August 1948), 72.

¹⁰⁴ Finucane, 18 July 1946.

¹⁰⁵ "Glenn Dale Hospital and You: A Handbook for Patients," Department of Public Health, Government of the District of Columbia, Date Unknown.

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allowed one day off campus a week, with a public bus serving the campus several times a day. The bus brought visitors to the campus as well.¹⁰⁶ The most able also participated in the social offerings of the campus, which included "bingo once a month, movies on Wednesdays, card games, typing classes, part-time jobs in the hospital canteen."¹⁰⁷

The hospital's care and regimen included required rest periods throughout the day, in which patients were to rest on sun porches on either chairs or beds, if necessary. Heliotherapy, or light treatments, included exposure to high-intensity lamps meant to replicate sunlight. These treatments took place on the second floor of the children's hospital and fifth floor of the adult hospital. X-rays were taken to monitor the lungs, and if necessary, lung surgery was performed on those patients requiring extreme treatment. In general, treatment involved rest, isolation, and fresh air. As effective antibiotics were introduced, a regime of medications was introduced into the daily routine at the hospital, as well.¹⁰⁸

Glenn Dale Hospital, 1960-2009

After January 1960, Glenn Dale Hospital operated as a medical facility open to District residents suffering from other chronic diseases. By 1978, the campus housed only 350 Medicaid patients with chronic illnesses who were unable to care for themselves. The buildings were cited as deficient in eight fire and safety areas, including lack of two approved fire exits at each floor, no smoke doors, and no sprinkler systems. It was estimated that \$20 million was needed to renovate the campus in order bring it up to code.¹⁰⁹

In January 1982, Glenn Dale Hospital was officially closed. Jurisdiction over the campus' final disposition became a battle between the District Government that wished to dispose of it via lease and the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), which claimed the campus was a federal property. Consequently, the federal government filed a suit against the District in U.S. District Court of Maryland in February 1984, arguing that the District no longer had the right to control the property because it was not being used for the purpose Congress had authorized. In October 1984, the court ruled in favor of the District. The ruling was later confirmed by the U.S. Court of Appeals in 1986.¹¹⁰ The site was maintained by the District until March 15, 1995, when it was officially sold to the M-NCPPC for \$4.1 million.¹¹¹

In 2009, M-NCPPC retains ownership of the property, which has remained vacant since 1982. Twenty-one of the original twenty-eight buildings are extant. Two single-family dwellings were destroyed by fire in the mid 1980s and ca. 2005. The paint shop, sludge bed enclosure, sedimentation and control building, and pump house are no longer extant. A mobile home was moved to the campus ca. 1990 in order to provide for 24-hour police surveillance of the property, which is often visited by vandals and "ghost hunters."

¹⁰⁶ Ibid.

¹⁰⁷ Latimer, 10 December 2006.

¹⁰⁸ Prince George's County Historical Society, November-December 2008.

¹⁰⁹ King, 8-8.

¹¹⁰ Lynda V. Mapes, "Glenn Dale Hospital: For Sale," *Prince George's County Journal*, 15 March 1988.

¹¹¹ Prince George's County Circuit Court-Land Records Department, Deed Book 10103, Page 624.

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Although the buildings of the complex are in deteriorating condition, the complex retains integrity of materials, feeling, and association as a hospital and sanatorium campus, and has sparked community interest in the preservation and stabilization of the buildings. In October 2008, the Prince George's County Historical Society hosted a presentation on the campus grounds, adjacent to the adult hospital. The principal speaker at the event was Leah Y. Latimer, author of the award-winning December 2006 *Washington Post Magazine* article entitled "Quarantined," which recounted her mother's experience as a patient at Glenn Dale. The event was also attended by a large group of more than one-hundred doctors, nurses, other staff, patients, and families of patients as well as community leaders and interested citizens. According to observers, the event emphasized the importance of the hospital in the history of the nation. This was the first and only time the hospital was open to the public since its closure in 1982, although the site is occasionally used as the site of police and fire department training.¹¹²

The Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium, once home to almost seven-hundred patients and an equal number of staff, continues to be the subject of a variety of development proposals, none of which has been realized to date.

Statement of Significance and Integrity¹¹³

Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium is significant under Criteria A and C in the area of Health/Medicine as a representative example of a twentieth-century therapeutic campus designed to treat patients afflicted with TB.

Integrity

Glenn Dale Hospital retains a high degree of integrity. The campus retains its original location adjacent to the north side of the Defense Highway (Annapolis Road; MD 450), bisected by Glenn Dale Road. Although modern residential development is located to the south and southwest of the site, the building clusters are shielded from these modern infringements by woodland and other mature vegetation. Therefore, the property retains integrity of setting. The facility retains twenty-one of the twenty-seven buildings historically associated with the campus. The buildings remain connected through a series of circulation paths, including roadways and walkways, which contribute to the property's campus-like setting and feeling. Each building retains its exterior wall cladding, and some original windows, although the doors and the majority of lower-story window openings have been removed and/or covered with wood boards. The campus retains its overall monumentality as a hospital facility, which contributes to integrity of association and feeling. Overall, the campus retains integrity of design, materials, location, association, and feeling due to its retention of physical features from the period of significance (1933-1959).

¹¹² "Eyewitnesses to Prince George's County History: Testimonials for the Glenn Dale Hospital," News and Notes (Prince George's County Historical Society, November-December 2008).

¹¹³ Glenn Dale Tuberculosis Hospital and Sanatorium was determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places by the Maryland Historical Trust (State Historic Preservation Office) in November 1997.

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Glenn Dale Hospital includes twenty-one extant buildings. Seventeen of the buildings contribute to the significance of the property under Criteria A and C as a twentieth-century therapeutic campus designed to care and treat patients afflicted with TB. The remaining four buildings/structures were erected after the period of significance for the campus (1933-1959), and are therefore non-contributing. See the attached Building Inventory.

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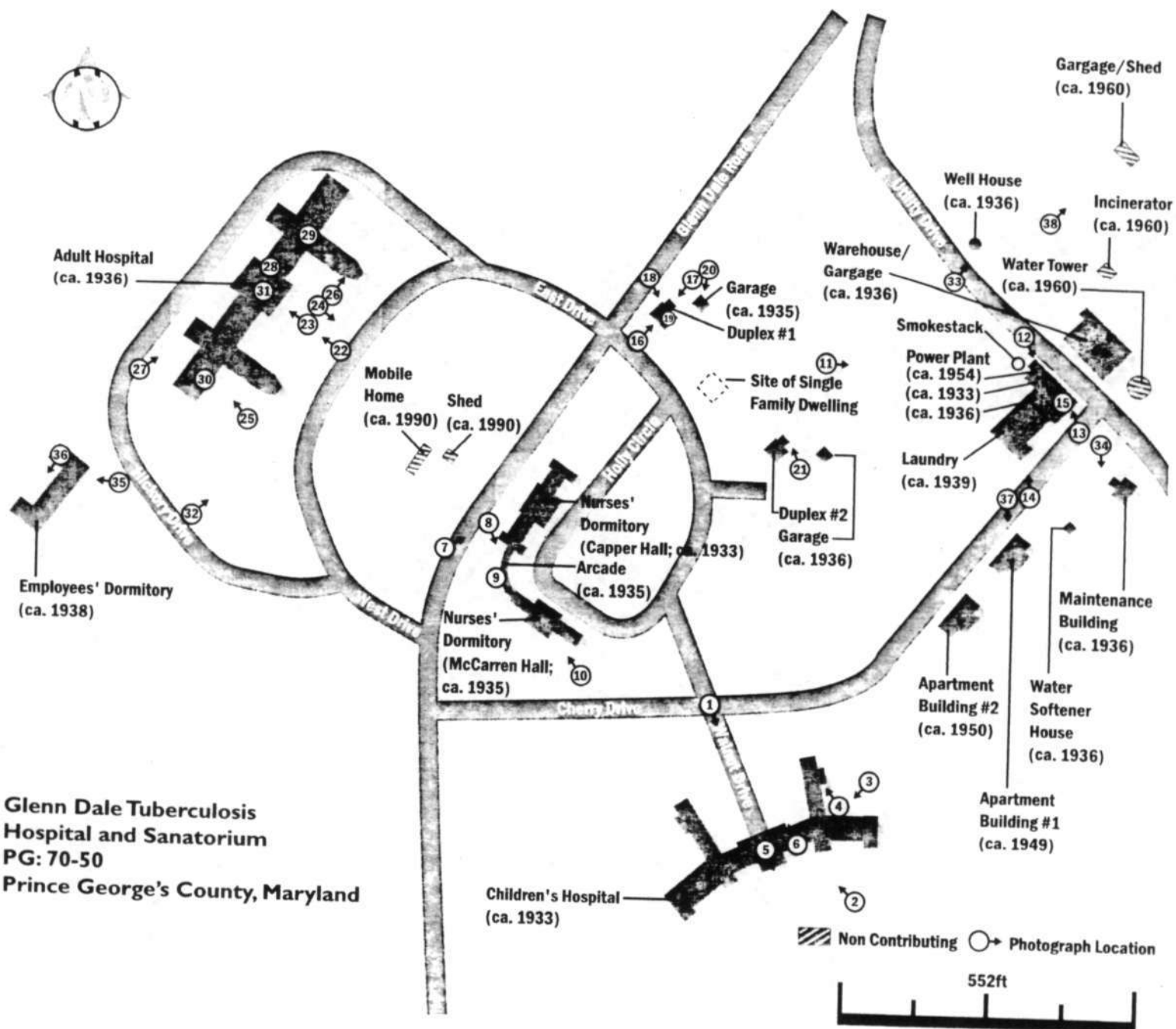
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		Children's Nurses Dormitory/Capper Hall/Building 8	70/124		ca. 1933	Colonial Revival	Albert L. Harris, Lawrence Johnston, Office of the Municipal Architect of the District of Columbia	Contributing
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MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_GlennDaleTuberculosisHospitalandSanatorium_28	"	"	Adult Hospital, interior, first floor, view to east.	28 of 38
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MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_GlennDaleTuberculosisHospitalandSanatorium_32	"	"	View from Hickory Drive to northeast, Adult Hospital to left.	32 of 38
MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_GlennDaleTuberculosisHospitalandSanatorium_33	"	"	Well House, view to northeast.	33 of 38
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MD_PrinceGeorgesCounty_GlennDaleTuberculosisHospitalandSanatorium_37	"	"	View looking south from Cherry Drive to Apartment Buildings #s 1 and 2	37 of 38
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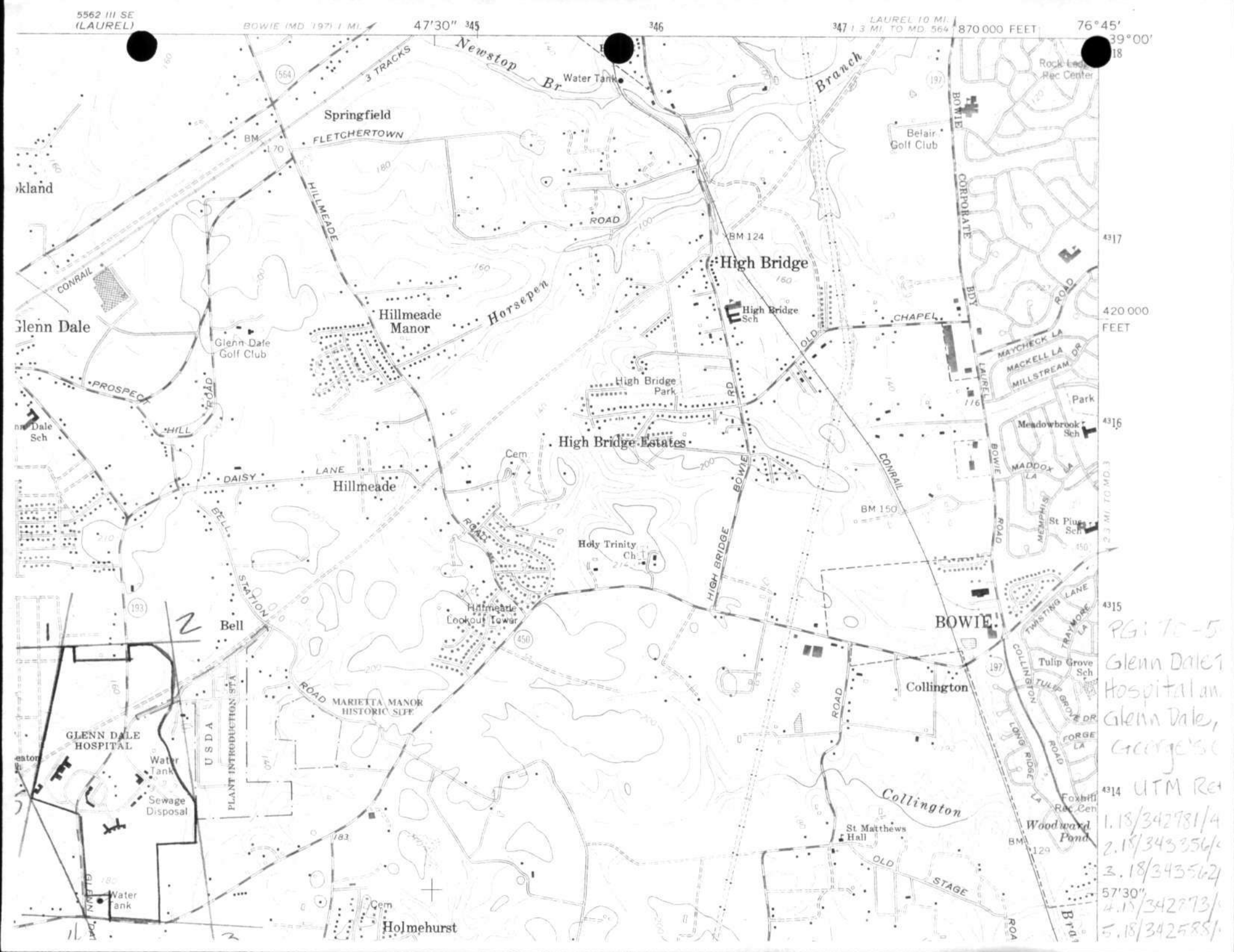
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Children's Hospital, Northwest elevation, view to
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GLENN DALE TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL'S ANATORIUM
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Children's Hospital, SE elevation, new to NW

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Children's Hospital, NW elevation of main block, east
elevation of projecting wing, view to SW
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children's Hospital, interior, 1st floor, SE entry, view to SE

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Childrens Hospital, INTERIOR, 1st Floor, view to NW

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NURSES' DORMITORY (CAPPER HALL), NORTHWEST
ELEVATION, VIEW TO NE.

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ARCADE connecting nurses' dormitories, view to SE.

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ARCADE connecting nurses' dormitories, interior, view
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NURSES' DORMITORY (MCARREN HALL), SE & SW elevations,

VIEW TO NW

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view to east towards utility maintenance area

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POWER PLANT NE & NW elevations, view to SE

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Power Path, SE floor, 2nd - 8/12/09

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Power Plant, SE elevation & SW elevation laundry addition,
view to NW

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Duplex # 1, NE elevation, view to SW

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Duplex #1, interior, view to NW

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Duplex #1, GARAGE, NW & NE elevations, view to south

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Adult Hospital, SE elevation, view to NW
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Adult Hospital, main entry, SE elevation, view to NW

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View Looking SE from Adult Hospital to campus

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Adult Hospital, Savannah, Georgia, view
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ADULT HOSPITAL, NW elevation, view to NE
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ADULT HOSPITAL, INTERIOR, 1ST FLOOR, VIEW TO EAST

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ADULT HOSPITAL, INTERIOR, 3RD FLOOR, VIEW TO SW
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ADULT HOSPITAL, INTERIOR, 5TH FLOOR, VIEW TO NW

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ADULT HOSPITAL, view looking NE from 5th floor
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VIEW FROM HICKORY DRIVE TO NE, ADULT HOSPITAL TO LEFT
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WELL HOUSE, WNW TO NE
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MAINTENANCE Building, NE+NW elevations, view to S
(water softener house to Right)

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EMPLOYEES' DORMITORY, SE & NE elevations, view to
NW

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EMPLOYEES' DORMITORY, NW elevation of main block.
NE elevation of projecting wing
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view looking South from Cherry Drive to Apartment
Buildings #1 and 2
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GARAGE/SHED SW & SE elevations, new to NW
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**INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT
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INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Property/District Name: Glenn Dale Hospital Survey Number: PG 70-50

Project: ISTEA Agency: SHA/MNCPPC

Site visit by MHT Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name _____ Date _____

Eligibility recommended ☒ BK Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map)

The Glenn Dale Hospital is a red brick Colonial Revival tuberculosis sanitarium constructed by the City of Washington between 1933 and 1939. The buildings include a children's hospital building with three floors and a basement in a "U" shape and a central pyramidal roof. The adults' hospital building has an "H" shaped plan with one stories and a basement. Other buildings include a nurses' dormitory, a warehouse and garage, a laundry and two four-apartment buildings. The hospital was closed in 1981 and has been abandoned ever since.

However, based upon the available information the hospital appears to be eligible for the National Register under Criterion C, as an example of local governmental architecture. Tuberculosis was an ongoing problem until the late twentieth century and the government sought ways to assist citizens to regain their health. The colonial revival style was very popular during the second quarter of the 20th century and use of such styles in government projects enabled the government to convey a sense of permanence and caring to its patients. Further information regarding the site would enable the reviewer to determine whether the site was eligible under Criteria A or B; however, no information is available to make that determination.

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance and Inventory Books

Prepared by: Anne Bruder

Anne E. Bruder

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

November 24, 1997

Date

NR program concurrence: ☒ yes ☐ no ☐ not applicable

Peter A. Kuntz
Reviewer, NR program

11/25/97

Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

I. Geographic Region:

☐ Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
☒ Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
☐ Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
☐ Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

☐ Paleo-Indian 10000-7500 B.C.
☐ Early Archaic 7500-6000 B.C.
☐ Middle Archaic 6000-4000 B.C.
☐ Late Archaic 4000-2000 B.C.
☐ Early Woodland 2000-500 B.C.
☐ Middle Woodland 500 B.C. - A.D. 900
☐ Late Woodland/Archaic A.D. 900-1600
☐ Contact and Settlement A.D. 1570-1750
☐ Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
☐ Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
☐ Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
☒ Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
☐ Unknown Period (☐ prehistoric ☐ historic)

III. Prehistoric Period Themes:

☐ Subsistence
☐ Settlement
☐ Political
☐ Demographic
☐ Religion
☐ Technology
☐ Environmental Adaptation

IV. Historic Period Themes:

☐ Agriculture
☒ Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
☐ Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
☒ Government/Law
☐ Military
☐ Religion
☐ Social/Educational/Cultural
☐ Transportation

V. Resource Type:

Category: Buildings
Historic Environment: Rural
Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Hospital/Sanitarium

Known Design Source: Albert L. Harris, Municipal Architect of Washington, D.C. supervising Lawrence Johnston

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #70-50

Building Date: 1933-1960

Building Name: Glenn Dale Hospital

Location: Glenn Dale Road north of Annapolis Road

Public/Hospital/Unoccupied/Poor/Accessible

Description:

The Glenn Dale Hospital complex has a campus-like setting with 23 brick, Colonial Revival style buildings, 16 of which were built between 1933 and 1939. Constructed by the City of Washington, D.C., as a tuberculosis sanitarium, the hospital was closed in 1981 and the property is in deteriorating condition. The Children's Hospital building, with three floors and a basement, is "U" shaped, with a long, imposing main block and a central pyramidal-roofed tower. The central entranceway is set forward in a frontispiece. The two wings flanking the main block project forward, embracing the parking area. The Adult Hospital Building stands to the northwest, across Glenn Dale Road from the rest of the hospital buildings. It is the largest building in the hospital complex, five stores in height, with a basement. The plan is roughly "H" shaped. The third large structure is the nurses' dormitory, actually two buildings connected by a covered arcade. Constructed in the style of a Georgian dwelling, with a gable roof center block of seven bays, end chimneys and gable dormers; it is flanked by gable roofed wings. The complex contains a number of other buildings, including a warehouse and garage, a heating plant with a high brick smokestack, a water softener house, a pump house, a laundry, and two four-apartment buildings. The last building constructed on the site was an incinerator in 1960.

Significance

Glenn Dale Hospital is significant for its complex of 23 brick Colonial Revival style buildings, two of them monumental in scale. The buildings were designed by Washington, D.C.'s municipal architect's office. Nathan C. Wyeth, who served as the City's municipal architect from 1934 through 1946, was well known in Washington, because he supervised the design and construction of some of the City's large public buildings, including Columbia Hospital for Women, the Key Bridge, the West Executive Office Building, Battleship Maine Monument in Arlington Cemetery, and many embassies. Glenn Dale Hospital is also important as a document of the early 20th century treatment of tuberculosis. Through the middle of the 20th century the widely accepted cure for the disease was extended bed rest in quiet country setting, such as that provided by the Glenn Dale campus.

Acreage: 216 acres

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

Survey No. P.G.#70-50

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Glenn Dale Hospital

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 5201 Glenn Dale Road

not for publication

city, town Glenn Dale

vicinity of

congressional district 5

state

Maryland

county

Prince George's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<u>district</u>	<u>X</u> public	<u>occupied</u>	<u>agriculture</u>	<u>museum</u>
<u>X</u> building(s)	<u>private</u>	<u>X</u> unoccupied	<u>commercial</u>	<u>park</u>
<u>structure</u>	<u>both</u>	<u>work in progress</u>	<u>educational</u>	<u>private residence</u>
<u>site</u>	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u>entertainment</u>	<u>religious</u>
<u>object</u>	<u>in process</u>	<u>X</u> yes: restricted	<u>government</u>	<u>scientific</u>
	<u>being considered</u>	<u>yes: unrestricted</u>	<u>industrial</u>	<u>transportation</u>
	<u>X</u> not applicable	<u>no</u>	<u>military</u>	<u>X</u> other: none

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Government of the District of Columbia

street & number 613 G Street, N.W.

telephone no.:

city, town Washington

state and zip code D.C. 20001

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse

liber 359

street & number Main Street

folio 16

city, town Upper Marlboro

state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title NA

date

federal state county local

depository for survey records Histotirc Preservation Commission, Rm. 4010, CAB

city, town Upper Marlboro

state MD 20772

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Glenn Dale Hospital complex stands on a 216 acre property located on Glenn Dale Road, just north of Annapolis Road (State Route 450), in the center of Prince George's County. The property has a campus-like setting with 23 brick, Colonial Revival style buildings, built primarily between 1933 and 1939 by the City of Washington, D.C., as a tuberculosis sanitarium. The hospital was closed in 1981 and the property has been used only sporadically since that time, leaving it in deteriorating condition. Many of the buildings have been heavily vandalized.

Glenn Dale Road runs through the hospital grounds, with all but two of the buildings grouped on the southeast side of the road. Two large hospitals, a nurses' dormitory and four doctors' residences, and an employee dormitory are clustered close to Glenn Dale Road. Support buildings such as the physical plant and laundry are to the east, along an auxiliary road.

The three largest buildings include the Children's Hospital building, with three floors and a basement, having a total of 125,000 square feet. Completed in 1933, it is a "U" shaped building set on the south side of an internal lane called Cherry Drive. It has a long, imposing main block with a central pyramidal slate roofed tower. The central entranceway, set forward in a frontispiece surmounted by the tower, has a white-painted wood surround. Brackets support a wide heavy frieze and enclosed triangular pediment above the entrance door. A wide, white-painted wood frieze and projecting cornice set below a brick parapet runs along the building's long, flat roofline. Window sills are of stone. Two wings dating to 1936 project forward, embracing the parking area in front of the building.

The Adult Hospital Building stands to the northwest, across Glenn Dale Road from the rest of the hospital buildings. It is the largest building in the hospital complex. A semi-circular entrance drive connects the Adult Hospital to Glenn Dale Road. The building was completed in 1936, and is five stories in height, with a basement. The plan is roughly "H" shaped, with a large, square central entry block and projecting wings like the Children's Hospital Building. It contains a total of 178,500 square feet.

The projecting wings create a "U" shaped east court with the main entrance door at the center in the three bay projecting central block. The entrance has an elaborate, grey stone surround, composed of a small projecting vestibule with a wide frieze and crown molded cornice supported

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by two Tuscan Doric columns. Centered at second story level are French doors opening onto the roof of the small vestibule, surmounted by a broken, scrolled pediment.

The first story of the center block is rusticated and has corner rustication to fifth story height. A dentilled stone cornice is set between the fourth and fifth stories. Brick pilasters supporting a wide grey stone cornice marking the bays of the hospital's long center and north and south wings. Between the pilasters the wall is almost entirely windows, providing sleeping porches for the hospital rooms on the second and third stories. The wings project forward and embrace the driveway loop and parking in front of the building. Both the children's and adult hospital buildings have roof terraces, which were to provide a place for patients to take therapeutic sun baths.

The third large structure is the nurses' dormitory, actually two buildings set along a curving internal drive, connected by a covered arcade. The north building, called Capper Hall, was loosely modeled on the Brice House in Annapolis. Built in 1933, it is two stories in height, with a basement and has a total of 22,888 square feet. It is connected by an open, brick arcade with stone cornice and key stone detail to Building "C", or McCarren Hall, which also was a nurses dormitory. McCarren Hall was completed in 1935 and is three stories in height with a basement, and contains 18,862 square feet. Both are constructed in the style of a Georgian dwelling, with slate-covered gable roof center blocks, end chimneys and gable dormers. Important details include stone window sills and flat brick arched lintels. Both are flanked by gable roofed wings. The formal central entrance of McCarren Hall is surmounted by a heavy semi-circular broken pediment. The entry to Capper Hall has a simpler wooden architrave surround. The original stone stairway and wrought-iron rail provides access to each entrance.

Four residences line the curving lane that leads north from the Children's Hospital building and nurse's dormitory to Glenn Dale Road. Of two and three stories, all have slate gable roofs, gable dormers and symmetrical facades with central entranceways. Constructed in 1935 and 1936, these residences housed doctors and the hospital's superintendent.

The topography of the sanatorium grounds is rolling, with the principal buildings set on knolls and grouped around the curve of Glenn Dale Road. The campus never spread over the full 216 acre site. The two hospital buildings and the nurses dormitory form a central grouping and are interconnected by views from one building to the other as well as curvilinear walkways. Although the grounds are overgrown, there are many specimen trees including magnolias, hollies and blue spruce.

The hospital complex contains a number of other buildings, including a warehouse and garage of 11,500 square feet, a heating plant with a high red-brick smokestack, a water softener house, a pump house, a laundry, two employees' dormitories and two four-apartment buildings. The last building constructed on the site was an incinerator in 1960.

8. Significance

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Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Glenn Dale Hospital is significant for its complex of 23 brick Colonial Revival style buildings, two of them monumental in scale. Sixteen of the 23 buildings were completed between 1932 and 1939, designed by Washington, D.C.'s Municipal Architect's Office under the supervision of the Municipal Architect, Nathan C. Wyeth. Wyeth's work is well known in Washington, because he supervised the design and construction of some of the City's large public buildings. Glenn Dale was a large public project during the Depression years, and provided work for a number of architects and landscape architects. It received Public Works Administration Funds and the children's hospital building had two Work Project Administration Murals, neither of which still remain. Glenn Dale is also important as a document of the early 20th century treatment of tuberculosis. It was constructed to treat indigent patients, as their existence in the general population without adequate health care was seen as a serious public health threat. Through the middle of the 20th century the widely accepted cure for tuberculosis was extended bed rest in a quiet country setting, typified by the Glenn Dale campus.

The history of the first decade of the Glenn Dale Hospital is a complex one. When the first building in the 23 buildings complex opened in 1934, the movement to establish a children's tuberculosis sanatorium in Washington, D.C. was already 10 years old.

Tuberculosis was a well documented health threat to urban society in the early 20th century. According to newspaper accounts of the time, Washington had the fourth highest rate of tuberculosis deaths of any city in the nation. 1 Constructed in 1907, the adult tuberculosis sanatorium at 14th and Upshur Streets was an overcrowded facility by the 1920's. 2 Additionally, there was no place to isolate children in the early stages of the disease. Patients were only hospitalized when very ill, and chances for recovery at that stage in the disease were greatly

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hospitalized when very ill, and chances for recovery at that stage in the disease were greatly reduced. They also had been infectious, affecting family members and playmates for a long period previous to hospitalization. In 1924 the Tuberculosis Association of the District of Columbia filed a report with the Commissioners of the District of Columbia detailing the need for a children's tuberculosis sanatorium. A similar report was filed by the Monday Evening Club with the Bureau of Efficiency in 1927.³ During the late 1920's, the Tuberculosis Association actively lobbied Congress for funding for the establishment of a children's sanatorium in the District.

In 1929, a bill was introduced in the House of Representatives by Congressman Gibson of Vermont and on the same day a similar bill was introduced in the Senate by Senator Capper of Kansas, Chair of the Senate's District of Columbia Committee. The bill authorized the building of a children's sanatorium. An appropriation of \$500,000 was passed and signed by President Coolidge on March 1, 1929. The same Congress enacted an appropriation bill for \$1,500 to study the subject and to prepare preliminary plans for the buildings. After study, it was recommended to Congress that the appropriation for the facility be increased to \$625,000 and permission be granted to locate it outside of the District's Boundaries. This authorization bill was passed by the House and Senate and signed by President Hoover on April 8, 1930.⁴

According to newspaper accounts, as many as 122 sites in Virginia, Maryland and the District were considered for the location of the facility. This number was reduced to 12 by the committee appointed to make a decision on the site and the hospital plans. The site finally chosen was 216 acres in Prince George's County, accessible via the defense highway (now Annapolis Road), upgraded in 1927, or by the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis electric railway to the Randall Station stop. The railroad right-of-way bisected the northern portion of the hospital acreage. In August and September, 1930 the Commissioners of the District of Columbia purchased 156 acres from Margaret R. Sharman at a cost of \$42,650. Sixty acres were purchased from Daniel Boone Lloyd at a cost of \$15,250.⁵

Lloyd resided at Buena Vista, an estate at the intersection of Glenn Dale Road and the Defense Highway. He owned 230 acres of farm land in the immediate vicinity. Lloyd was an influential government employee, serving as a Recorder of the U.S Senate from 1883 through his death in 1943. He is credited with being a prime mover in securing construction of the Defense Highway and founding the Bank of Bowie.⁶ The degree of his influence in deliberations over the location of the sanatorium is not known.

The task of designing the sanatorium was given to the Office of the Municipal Architect of the District of Columbia, with Albert L. Harris

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serving as Municipal Architect. A committee was named, which included the Municipal Architect to consult with experts and make recommendations to the District Commissioners before a plan was approved. Thomas B. Kidner of New York City, a specialist in the design of hospitals, was retained as a consulting architect in April of 1931. At least one medical expert was consulted, Dr. Henry D. Chadwick of Detroit, who became Commissioner of Health for Massachusetts during the 1930's. Chadwick recommended location of the hospital outside of the city limits, to insure pure air, a quiet setting and fewer family visits, which upset children who had to stay at the hospital for periods of six months to a year.⁷

Plans for the first buildings in the hospital complex were reviewed by the Commission of Fine Arts in July 1931 and approved by the hospital committee in October of that year. Plans for the children's hospital building had gone through 7 generations including a plan by Albert L. Harris proposing one story buildings, which was rejected. Mr. Lawrence Johnston of the Municipal Architect's office, under the supervision of Mr. Harris, is credited by newspaper accounts with the design of the children's hospital building and the nurse's building.⁸

The style chosen for the buildings was the Colonial Revival or Georgian. The style was popular in the 1920's and 30's for both public buildings and residences and was advocated for public buildings by the Commission of Fine Arts. Plans for the children's hospital building published in the newspaper in 1931 showed a long rectangular structure with a central block possessing monumental columns surmounted by a triangular pediment and cupola modeled after Mount Vernon. The main entrances were also modeled after Mount Vernon's west entrance.⁹

The building that was eventually constructed and opened September 15, 1934 was plainer and more functional in appearance than the elevation published in the newspaper. It was only the central block of the building presently standing, containing all service and administrative functions as well as beds for 150 children. At the time it opened Congress had already appropriated an additional \$400,000 for completion of the building as designed, to accommodate 300. Wings were added and it assumed its present form by 1936.¹⁰ The hospital was to serve children whose parents were residents of the District of Columbia and who were unable to pay for care. Paying cases were only admitted if all indigent cases on the waiting list had been taken care of. The treatment of tuberculosis in the early 20th century included bed rest, fresh air and a balanced diet, as well as isolation of infectious people from the rest of the population. The disease was considered enough of a public health threat that public funds would be used to provide treatment for those who could not pay to provide it for themselves.¹¹

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Upon the opening of the adult hospital building in 1937, Glenn Dale was described by Surgeon General Thomas Parran, Jr. as "the most up-to-date and complete institution of its kind in the country."¹² Facilities were complete, in that an array of services were offered to patients and staff including a medical library, x-ray laboratory, operating rooms, dentist's office, additionally a movie theatre in the adult hospital and recreation director and classrooms for children in the children's building. The heliotherapy room, where children would lie on cots exposed to a large carbon-arc lamp, was considered a modern facility in that era.¹³

When the institution opened in 1934 it included the children's hospital, the nurse's dormitory, a power plant, and the old residence that stood on the property prior to its purchase by the District Government for the hospital construction. Called the Randall residence after the most recent owner, the house was probably the Duvall-Meriken residence, noted on the 1861 and 1878 atlases of the County. It was located on a knoll northeast of the children's hospital building and served briefly as the superintendent's residence.¹⁴ It was probably removed in 1935-36 when residences were built for superintendent and staff along the curving drive leading from the hospital to Glenn Dale Road.

The nurse's dormitory, called Capper Hall, opened in 1934, at the same time as the children's hospital. It included only the western portion of the building now standing. Including the main block and the south wing, it was to look like "a fine colonial residence with no appearance of being connected with an institution," according to newspaper accounts of the day. It was modeled on the Brice House in Annapolis and there is similarity in overall form between the two buildings. The nurses' building is longer and has third story dormers. The form of the main block with end chimneys, one story hyphens and dependencies placed perpendicular in orientation to the main block is very similar to the Brice House.

From the time of purchase of the 216 acre site there were plans to develop a complex of buildings at the Glenn Dale site, including a new adult sanatorium building. In spring 1933 Congress appropriated an additional \$400,000 for completion of the children's hospital building. In the same appropriations bill \$100,000 was provided for the purpose of planning for an adult sanatorium.¹⁵ The same Congress approved a Public Works Administration (P.W.A.) grant of \$1,500,000 for construction of an adult sanatorium to house 400 patients, and associated buildings including nurse's dormitories, doctor's quarters, employees quarters, additions to the power plant, a laundry, sewage disposal plant and a garage. There was some movement to locate the adult sanatorium in a more "socially desirable" setting in the mountains. This seemed to have the backing of Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Department of Interior, who would release the P.W.A. check. Before the Glenn Dale site was settled on, President Roosevelt convened a committee of medical experts to advise him and Ickes on the best location for the hospital. Glenn Dale was chosen because it

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was already owned by the District Government and the advantage of proximity to medical specialists in the city outweighed any benefits gained by "better climate" in the mountains.¹⁶ The adult hospital opened September 15, 1937 with beds for 400 patients. Lack of a dependable well water supply had forced the piping of water from Cheverly, under the jurisdiction of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

Most of the buildings at the Glenn Dale complex were designed by the District Office of the Municipal Architect, so credit to an individual architect is not easily assigned. It is probable that the buildings were designed by team effort. Municipal Architect Albert L. Harris, under whose supervision planning for the sanatorium and the first two structures were built, died in 1933. Newspaper accounts credit Lawrence P. Johnston, a young architect in the Municipal Architect's office, with the design of the children hospital and nurses' dormitory that was finally accepted by the District committee appointed to review the hospital plans. Johnston, born in 1898, was only with the Municipal architect's office for one year, in 1931. He served as an architect with the Federal Government from 1926 through the early 1940's, maintaining a private practice at the same time. He returned to his native Illinois during the 1940's.¹⁷

Johnston's name is not on the surviving drawings of the children's hospital or nurses' dormitory. The hospital building constructed is not identical to the elevation published by newspapers as Johnston's design. The first wing of the nurses' dormitory he described as resembling the Brice House in Annapolis was constructed.¹⁸ The extent of his actual contribution to the buildings that were constructed is not known.

The Chief of the Architectural Division listed on drawings of the first two buildings during 1931 and 1932 was Merrell A. Coe (1896-1965). Coe served 31 years with Washington D.C.'s Department of Buildings and Grounds, including serving as Municipal Architect from 1946 to 1956. He is credited with preferring more modern styles to the popular Georgian of much of Washington, D.C.'s early 20th century architecture. During his tenure as Municipal architect he is credited with moving the District away from use of the Georgian style. The building he is most associated with is the District's National Guard Armory.¹⁹

After Albert L. Harris' death in 1933, the office Municipal Architect was assumed by Nathan C. Wyeth. It was under his supervision, through 1946, that 14 of the 23 buildings in the Glenn Dale complex were constructed. Wyeth was a well-known Washington, D.C. architect who had completed many significant projects both in public service and private practice. He had previously served in the office of the Supervising Architect of the Treasury Department from 1900 through 1903. He then worked for the office of the Architect of the Capitol, where he worked on the design of the "old" Senate and House office buildings. Wyeth opened

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his own practice in 1904, and completed a number of public buildings and monuments including the Maine memorial in Arlington Cemetery, the Tidal Basin Bridge, Key Bridge, the House of Mercy and Columbia and Emergency Hospitals. In 1909 he was selected architect of the addition to the west wing executive offices of the White House. A large number of private residences were designed by Wyeth, some of which later became embassies, including the Afghan, Russian, Mexican, Canadian and Chilean embassies. He opened a practice with Francis P. Sullivan in 1924 and the partnership lasted until 1934 when Wyeth became Municipal Architect. Under his supervision as Municipal Architect was the design of the District's Municipal building, Municipal Court, Police Court and Juvenile Court, as well as the District of Columbia Armory. The office designed a number of schools including Wilson and Coolidge high school and Georgetown and Petworth branch libraries.²⁰

From 1935 to 1937 the Architect-in-Charge listed on drawings of the hospital complex was Charles B. McGrew (1890-1976). McGrew was a graduate of the University of Illinois. He served in the office of the Municipal Architect from 1931-1938.²¹ After 1938 the Architect-in-Charge was J. L. Cousens. Other architects associated with the hospital project during its first decade include Arvid L. Kundzin of the Municipal Architects office, who accompanied Wyeth in 1935 to present the plan for the adult hospital to the Commission of Fine Arts. Kundzin, native of Dorpat, Estonia, was educated at the University of Dorpat and came to Washington, D.C. in the early 1920's as secretary of the Latvian Legation. He became a partner in a private architectural firm and started working for the District's office of the Municipal Architect in 1927. He became chief of the architectural division working on the Municipal Center in 1933. He also helped design the Municipal and Juvenile Courts, the Central Public Library and Woodrow Wilson High School.²²

The only architect in private practice known to have worked on the Glenn Dale complex during the 1930's was Francis P. Sullivan, Nathan Wyeth's former partner in private practice. Sullivan designed a four-story addition to the nurses' dormitory, a 10 family apartment building and several other small buildings, which were approved by the Commission of Fine Arts in August 1938. It is possible that one of these buildings is Finucane Hall, or the employees building, located south of the adult hospital building, completed in 1938. Otherwise, it is possible that Sullivan's buildings were never built.

From the beginning of construction at the site, landscaping was an important part of the plans. In 1931, newspaper articles discussing the design of the hospital buildings also discussed landscaping.²³ Plans including a terraced play area on the south side of the children's hospital landscaped "with an English garden effect." The main buildings were to have grassy lawns in front, bordered with hedges or boxwood. There was

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suggestion for a rustic "glen" or rock garden in a natural hollow on the grounds. The nurses' home and the children's hospital were to be connected by walkways through a formal garden.

Many of these ideas were never actually developed, however, there was an extensive planting plan for each of the buildings. The plans are not unusual or innovative in the placement of materials or types of materials used. Many indigenous species are suggested, such as the red maple, red oak, willow oak, American elm and the holly, as well as standard ornamental trees such as the flowering dog wood. Landscape features included large grassy lawns in front of buildings and tree and shrub clusters around entranceways and along walkways and streets. A curvilinear street plan was used, creating a park-like or campus-like setting. The children's hospital building, the adult hospital, the nurses' dormitories and their street circulation plan, completed between 1935 and 1937, form a circular core to the campus. These buildings stand on knoll tops or high points on the site. A grouping of residences forms a semi-circle on the northeast side of the central complex. The utility buildings are on a northeast service road, set apart from the residential buildings.

Several different landscape architects worked on the project during the 1930's. These included Joseph C. Gardner, a professional in private practice whose work was favored by Nathan C. Wyeth.²⁴ In 1937, Gardner prepared a landscaping plan for the nurses' dormitories and the staff residences, and the terraced lawn on the south side of the children's hospital building. Leonard Bartlett, Jr., employed by the National Park Service, prepared a planting plan for the Employees building (Finucane Hall) constructed in 1938 just southwest of the adult hospital building. August H. Hanson, employed by the National Park Service, prepared a planting plan in 1938 for the area surround the nurses' dormitories and staff residences simplifying Joseph C. Gardener's earlier plan.

The institutional character of the campus was not only embellished by landscaping. In 1935 the children's hospital building received a Work Projects Administration (W.P.A.) mural. Painted by Bernice Cross, the mural depicted Old King Cole and other Mother Goose nursery rhyme characters. The mural was described as being located on the left side of the lobby as one entered the children's hospital building, covering the whole wall above the wainscotting. It no longer is there and it is not known if it was painted over or removed. A second WPA mural depicting the history of electricity was begun in 1936 on the ceiling of the heliotherapy room, on the 2nd floor of the children's hospital. It was painted over while still incomplete, in 1937, because the hospital administration felt it was taking too long to complete and that its theme was "incomprehensible". The artist was Allan Page Flavelle.²⁵

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By the end of the 1930's the Glenn Dale campus contained 16 buildings, including the two hospitals, the two wings of the nurse's dormitory, two doctor's residences, two duplex dwellings, a warehouse/garage, a heating plant, a sludge bed enclosure, a sedimentation and control building, a water softener house, a pump house, a large employees residence (Finucane Hall) and a laundry. The 1940's saw the addition of three buildings to the 16 building complex, including a dormitory, hot house and four-apartment building. The final buildings added to the complex were a four-apartment building in 1950, a paint shop in 1953 and an incinerator in 1960.

By 1957, there were suggestions that the District Government sell the hospital to generate funds for the expansion of the District's General Hospital complex. New methods of treating tuberculosis allowed patients to stay in their homes rather than isolating them for long periods in a hospital setting. In January 1960 Glenn Dale was opened to persons with long-term and chronic illnesses other than tuberculosis. By 1978 it housed only 350 medicaid patients with chronic illnesses who were unable to care for themselves. The buildings were cited as deficient in eight fire and safety areas such as lack of two approved fire exits per floor, no smoke doors, and no sprinkler system. It was estimated that \$20 million was needed to renovate the complex and bring it up to code.²⁶ The hospital complex was closed in January of 1982 without the \$20 million ever being appropriated by the District government. Jurisdiction over the campus' final disposition became a battle between the District Government, which wished to dispose of it via lease and the U.S. General Services Administration which claimed it as federal property. The District Government argued successfully in U.S. District Court in October 1984 that it held title to the property.²⁷ Since that time the hospital has remained closed and increasingly damaged by vandalism as the District Government and Prince George's County work out an agreement for its redevelopment and reuse.

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 216 acres

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359:16 Margaret R. Sharman, widow, formerly Margaret R. Biddle to
14 Aug. 1930 the United States of America. For \$42,650 grantor conveys
Deed those parcels on the public road from Buena Vista to
Glenn Dale, 117-1/2 acres and a part of the tract called
Marietta, 39 acres. Subject to easements, 6:475, June 5,
1901.

301:249 Arthur E. Randle (widower) to Margaret R. Biddle that land
21 Feb. 1928 obtained from Tyrrel and Maragret R. Biddle 16 June 1926,
Deed 290:83. 117 acres and 39 acres. Same conveyed to Arthur
E. Randle by T. Van Clagett, 1921, 174:102.

174:102 T. Van Clagett, Assignee of Mortgage, to Arthur T. Randle,
9 Nov. 1921 at public sale 7 June 1921. Randle pays \$7,100. 117 acres
Deed and 39 acres, at Randle station, Washington, Baltimore and
Annapolis R.R.

37:495 Clarence M. Roberts by order of Circuit Court in Equity
26 Nov. 1907 3209, 29 Oct. 1907, substituted as purchaser of farm known
Mortgage as home place of John Kennedy. For \$1,200 and mortgage of
\$4,800. Property described in deed from Cornelia Cleborne
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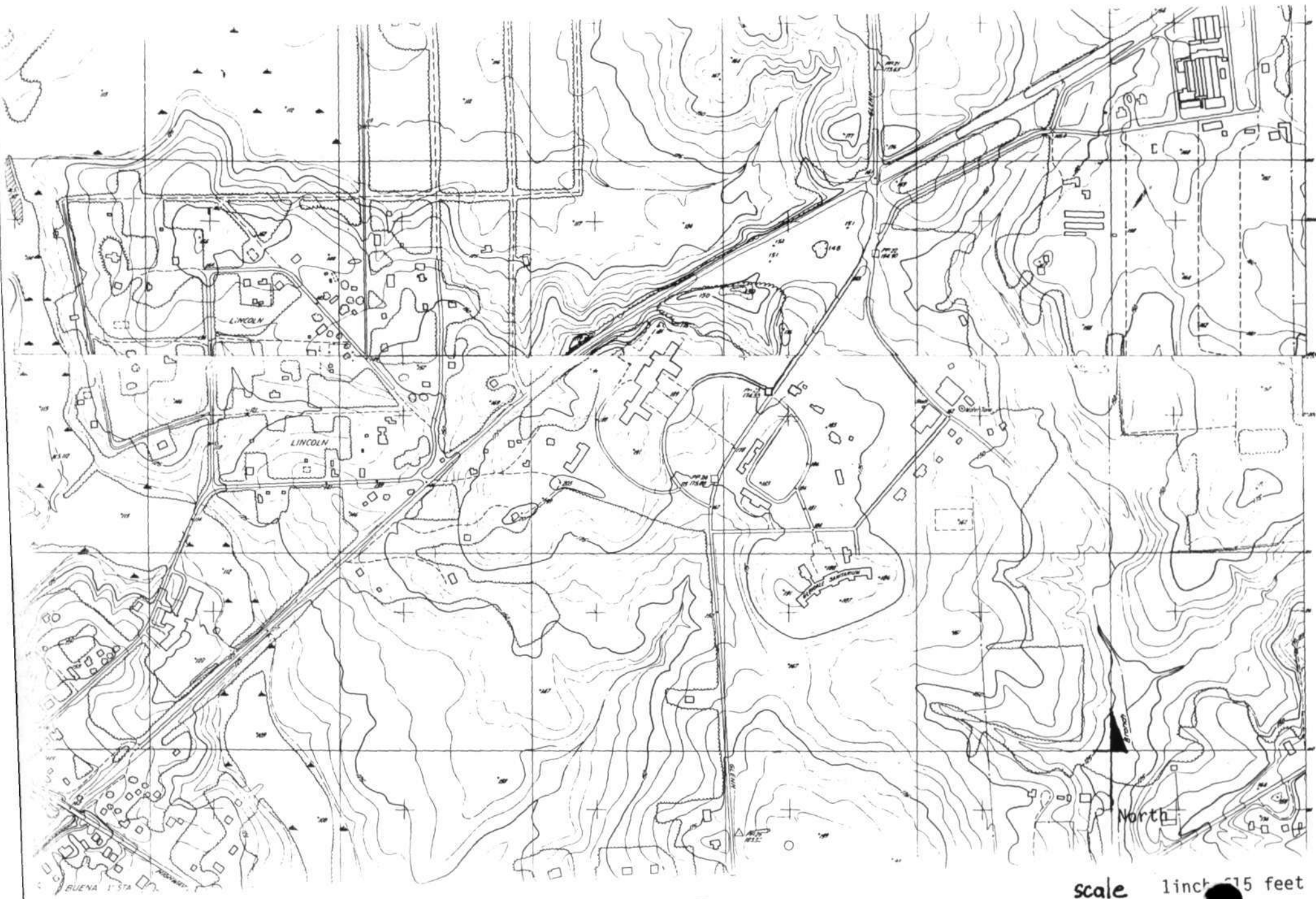
JB 10:222 Cornelia L. Cleborne, widow, of D.C. For \$10 grantor
15 Feb. 1900 conveys part of tract known as Marietta, in 14th Election
Deed District, 39 acres - same in deed from Richard W. Brook to
Thomas L. Billopp, March 28, 1881, WAJ 2:538. 2nd:
117-1/2 acres, same conveyed from Elizabeth Merriken to
Thomas F. Billopp Nov. 14, 1880, WAJ 2:323.

359:18 Daniel B. and Anna Belle Lloyd to the United States of
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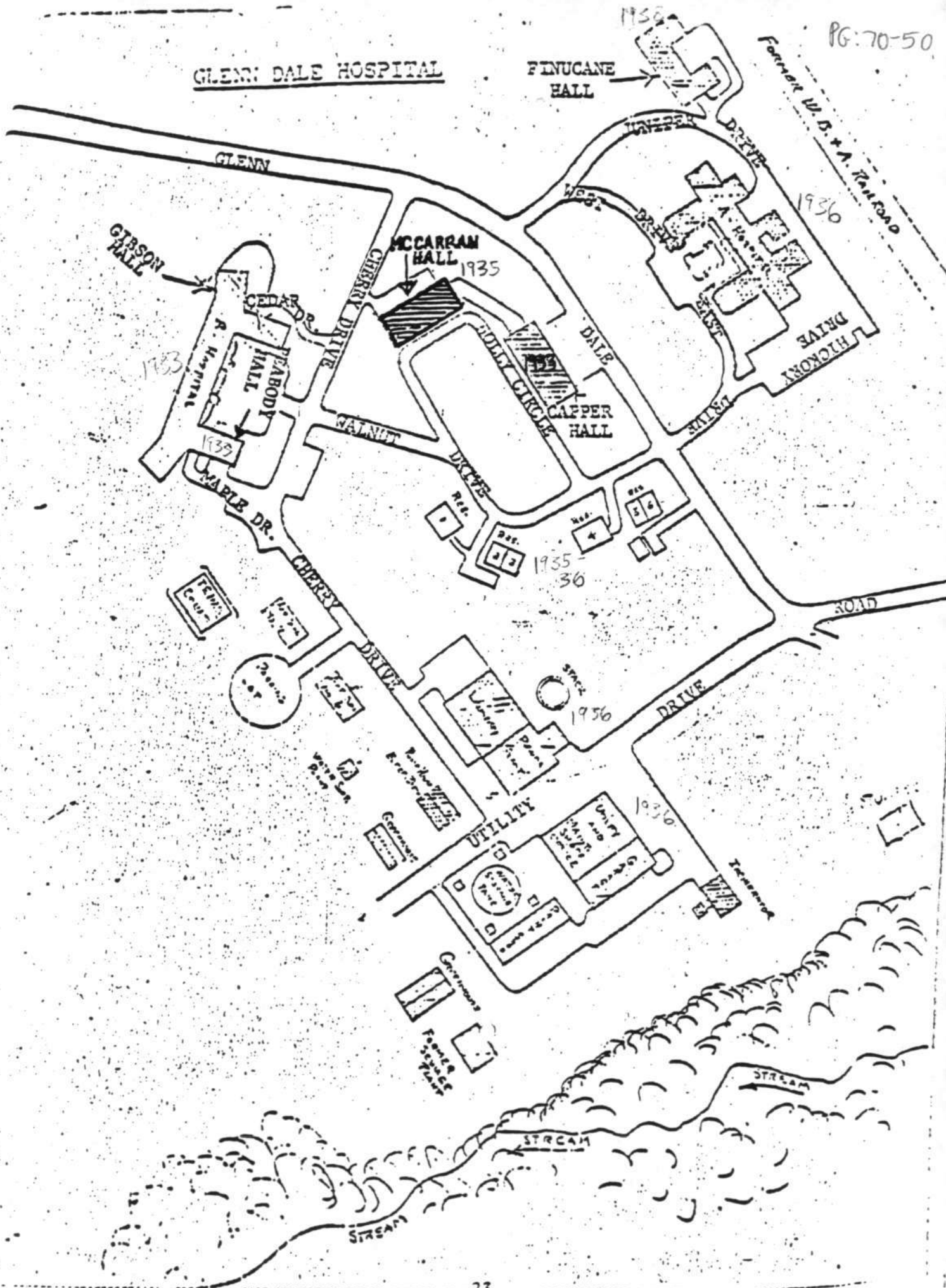
JWB 8:378 Zachariah Shaw and Mary E. Shaw to Daniel B. Lloyd. For
30 April 1887 \$675 grantor conveys Kidmore. Contains 27-1/4 acres. Part
Deed of 53 acres devised to Zachariah Shaw by will of father
James Shaw, 15 March 1855.

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Prince George's County, Maryland

Building Name and Location	Erection Date	No. of Floors	S.F. Area	
			Ground Fl.	Bldg.
Children's Nurses Home - Capper Hall	1933	2 Floors + Basement	8,806	22,888
Children's Hospital Building-Hospital B	1933	3 Floors, ground floor, + Basement		125,000
Residence 'D' Dorm- itory-Peabody Hall	1933	1 Floor	2,850	2,906
Bldg. 'C' Nurses Home-McCarren Hall	1935	3 Floors + Basement	5,525	18,862
Bldg. 'F' Duplex House	1935	Garage, 2 Floors, + Basement	2,721	5,673
Bldg. 'D' Doctor's House - Superinten- dent's Residence	1936	2 Floors + Basement	1,950	4,610
Bldg. 'G' Duplex House	1936	Garage, 2 Floors + Basement	2,721	5,673
Bldg. 'E' Doctor's House	1936	2 Floors + Basement	1,950	4,610
Adult Hospital Bldg. - Hospital A	1936	5 Floors, ground floor, + Basement	34,100	178,500
Warehouse & Garage	1936	1 Floor	11,500	11,500
Heating Plant	1936	2 Floors	5,349	6,824
Sludge Bed Enclosure	1936	1 Floor	886	886
Sedimentation & Control Bldg.	1936	2 Floors	1,413	1,905
Water Softener House	1937	1 Floor	668	668
Pump House	1937	1 Floor	1,226	1,226
Employees Bldg. Finucane Hall	1938	3 Floors + Basement	6,218	24,092
Laundry	1939	1 Floor	6,272	6,272
Residence 'C' Dormitory-Gibson Hall	1947	1 Floor	2,849	2,849
Hot House	1948	1 Floor	823	823
Four Apt. Bldg. #1	1949	2 Floors + Basement	1,981	5,943
Four Apt. Bldg. #2	1950	2 Floors + Basement	2,930	6,892
Paint Shop	1953	1 Floor	1,157	1,157
Incinerator	1960	2 Floors	225	346



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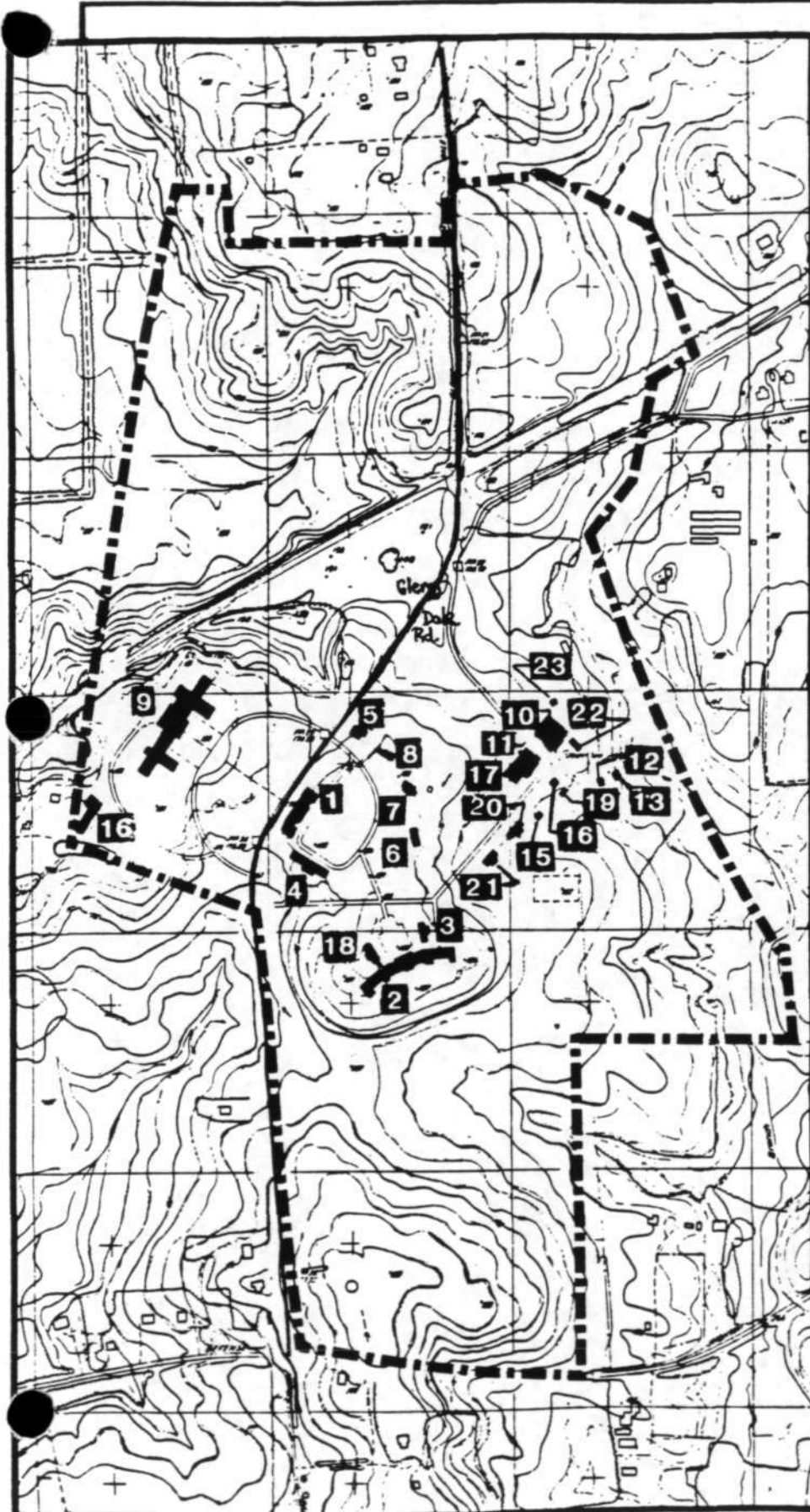
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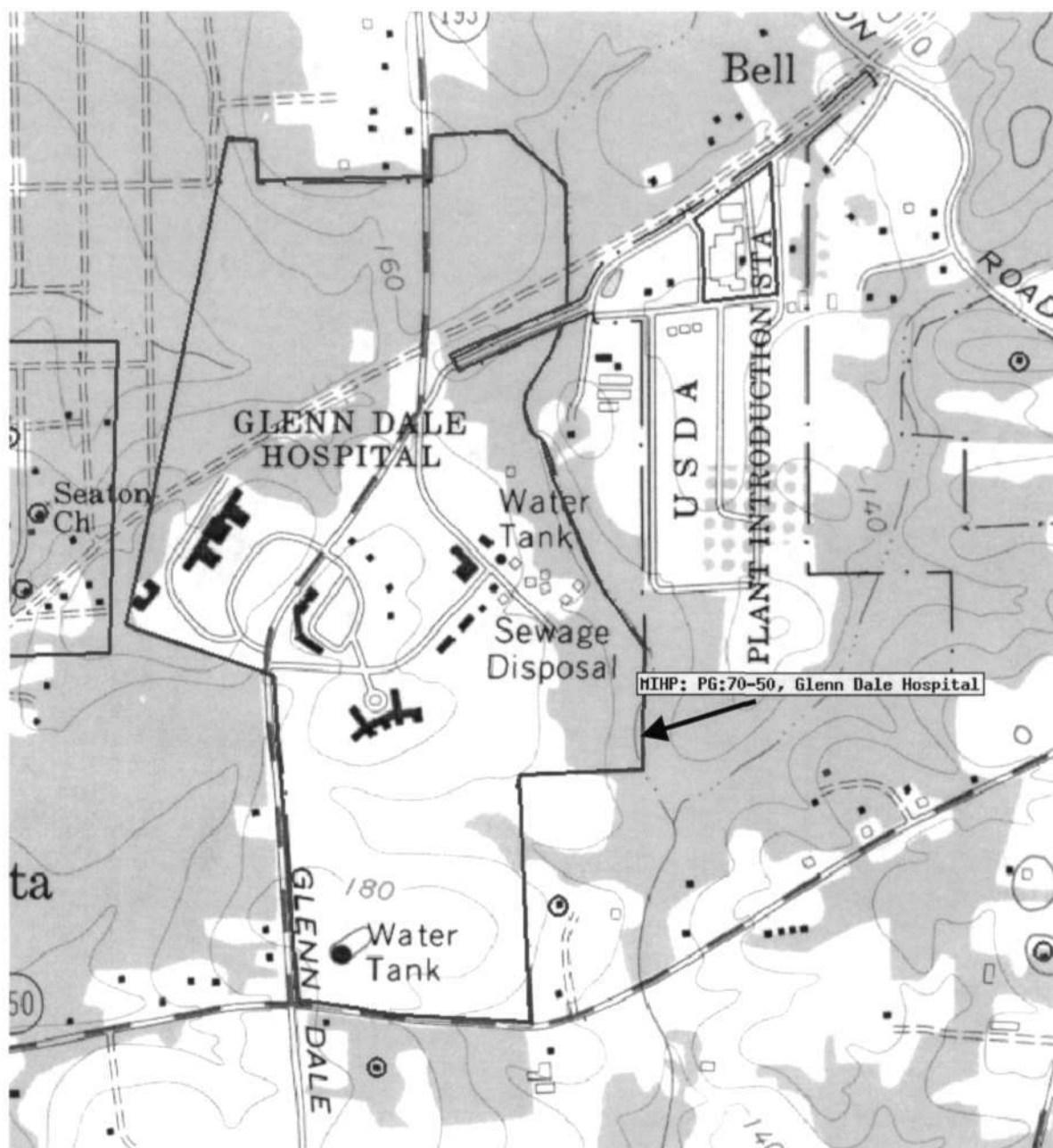
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1. Children's Nurses Home
2. Children's Hospital Building
3. Residence "D" Dormitory
4. Building "C" Nurses Home
5. Building "F" Duplex House
6. Building "D" Doctor's House
7. Building "G" Duplex House (Superintendent's Residence)
8. Building "E" Doctor's House
9. Adult Hospital Building
10. Warehouse and Garage
11. Heating Plant
12. Sludge Bed Enclosure
13. Sedimentation and Control Building
14. Water Softener House
15. Pump House
16. Employees Building
17. Laundry
18. Residence "C" Dormitory
19. Hot House
20. Four Apartment Building No.1
21. Four Apartment Building No.2
22. Paint Shop
23. Incinerator



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McCarran Hall (nurse's dorm)

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Adelphi Hospital, looking SE



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Arcade Connecting Nurse's Dorms
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View to northeast, nurses
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Children's Hospital, north
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Doctor's Residence

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Nurses Homes, northeast
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Garage, heating plant
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